PHOENIX DAY SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF

50 YEAR ANNIVERSARY

Phoenix Day School for the Deaf

IT'S SHOWTIME!

SCENE	TAKE
ROLL	2017
South	1967

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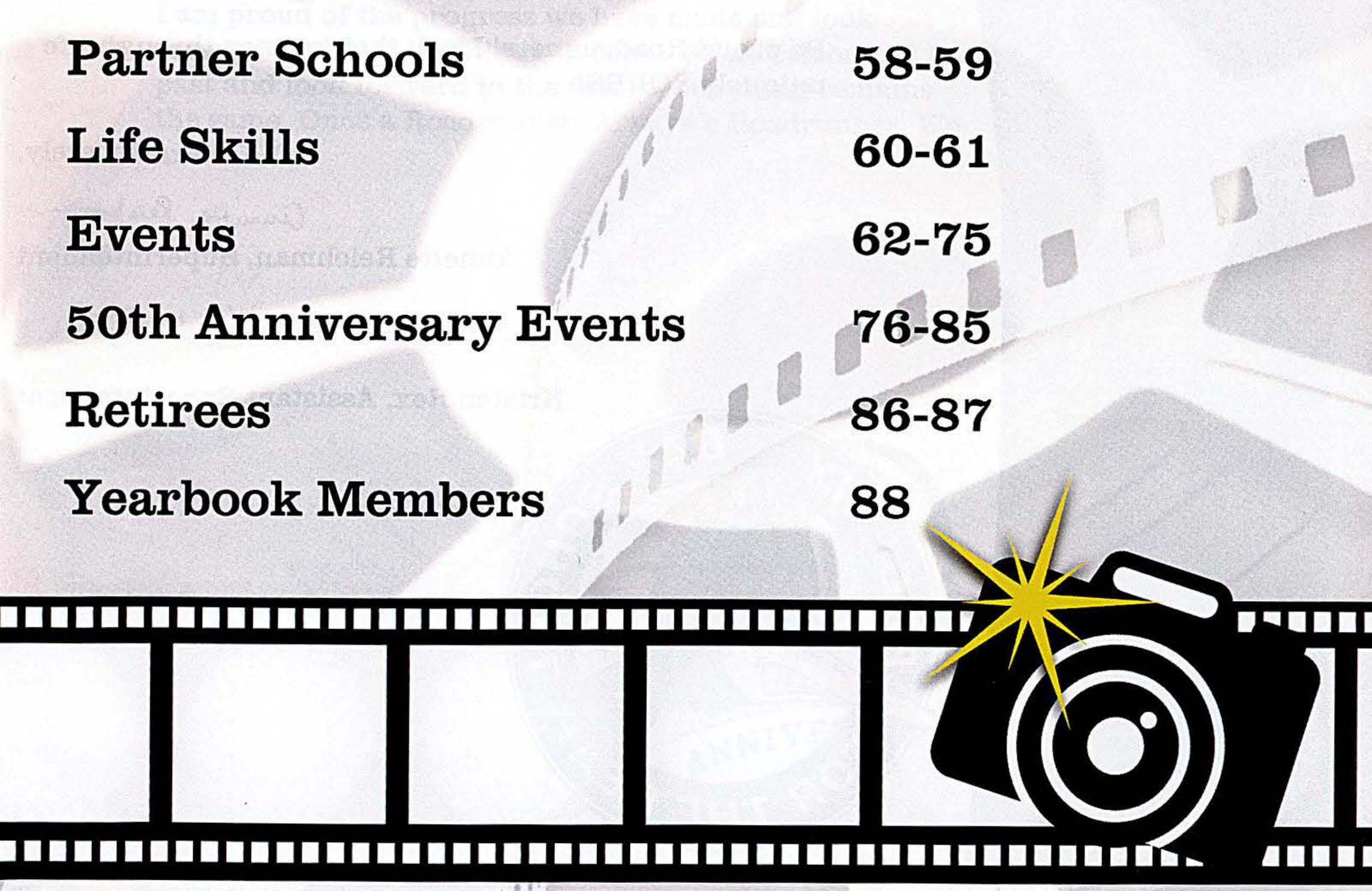

Letter to 2018 Graduating Seniors from Phoenix Day School for the Deaf (PDSD):

Please accept Dr. Kristen Rex's and my sincere congratulations on completing your Senior Year! With all of your hard work at PDSD, you are now ready to take on the next challenge- that is, to enroll in the technical program, college or university of your choice or to get that first full-time job. After you graduate you will quickly realize that what you learned at PDSD is just the beginning. You will continue to learn and grow life-long. Hopefully you will take full advantage of your skills and of every opportunity you have to become a leader. Our community needs leaders.

As you move on with your lives, don't forget the teachers and staff at PDSD who have had the honor to be a part of your lives. They too have worked hard to give you the best education and supports possible. Take the time to say "thank you" to them.

Be proud Roadrunners! Mark that journey through life uniquely YOURS!

Sincerely,

Annette Reichman

Annette Reichman, Superintendent

Kristen D. Rex

Kristen Rex, Assistant Superintendent

Stars of PDSD,

This year has been full of excitement as PDSD celebrated its 50th anniversary.

Events throughout the year made it a special time to celebrate where we came from and where we are now.

The past 50 years have been focused on identifying our vision, working as a team and building foundations. Although these things will continue, this year we focused on it being SHOWTIME. We saw talent, knowledge and abilities shine throughout the year. From recognizing State Representative Boyer, to traveling through time with the variety show, to hosting Deaf schools from the west at WSBC, to welcoming Governor Ducey and Gallaudet President Cordano, to completing the art mural and everything in-between; we sure knew how to celebrate the birthday of our beloved school.

I am proud of the progress we have made and look forward to the great things to come. As we celebrated the past and look forward to the future, one thing remains the same. Once a Roadrunner, Always a Roadrunner. We are PDSD!

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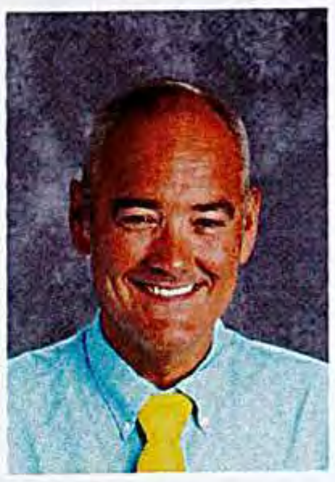
Courtney Fritz, Principal

ADMINISTRATION



Christopher Fears
Assistant Principal
Student Support Services

Courtney Fritz
Principal

Jill Voit
Assistant Principal
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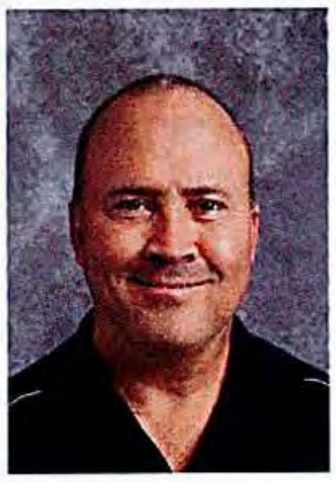
Amber Akapnitis
Academic Services
Supervising Teacher

Maureen Gallucci
Preschool
Supervising Teacher

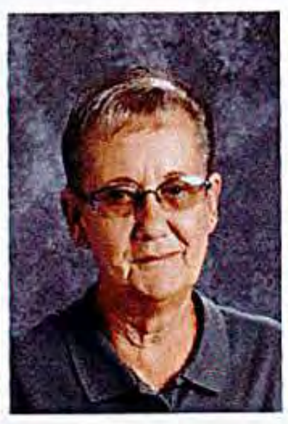
Michelle Kelley
Student Life
Supervising Teacher



Jesse J. Bailey
Athletic Director

ADMINISTRATIVE PROFESSIONALS

Debbie Eubank
Joan Hugo
Jane Mielenz
Leigh Rivard



Not Pictured:
Chip Cary, Janice Pankinin, Abbie Shoop

LIBRARY, MEDIA, IT

Dennis Cobb
Nevena Gluscevic
Christopher Gomez
Kelly Kerley
Julius Kim
Daniel Montanez
Anthony Nicholson
Brandon Wagoner

RELATED SERVICES

Christie Abrams
Diana Baird
Jackie Busen
Adrian De Hoyos
Paula Dehart
Lori Dong
Gizelle Gilbert

Cynthia Hunt
Patty Longfield
Greta MeLeod
Karen Mendelson
Masa Nakama
Shannon Speagle
Megan Tellefson

Melissa White
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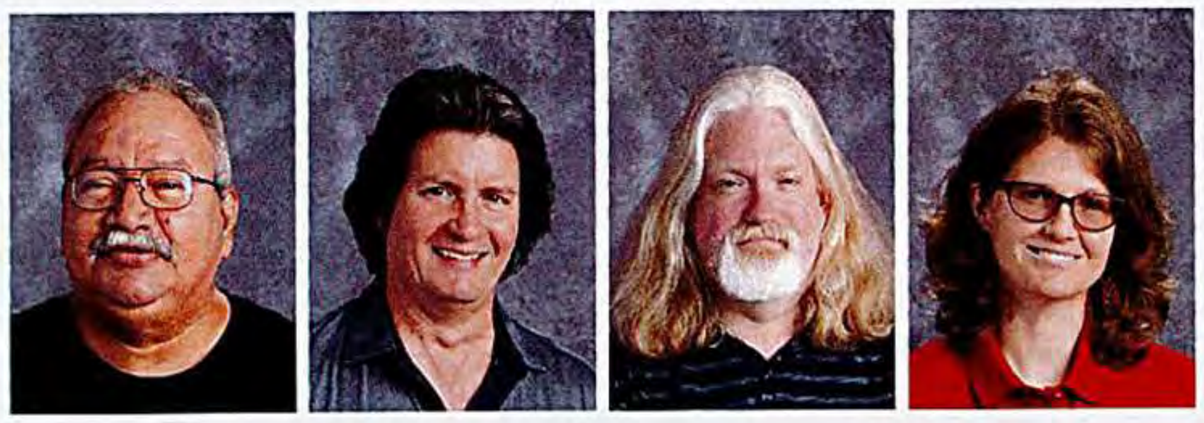
CAREER TECHNICAL EDUCATION



Ricardo Camacho
Lynn Foley
Randall Kidd
Rhonda Makowichuk

INTERPRETERS

Stephanie De La Cruz
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Sarah Hill
Robyne Jenkins
Adriana Jimenez
Kathy Majors

Joanne Malinka
Ana Olea
Christine Porter
Adrian Rondeau
Martha Vance

Not Pictured: Brenda Byers, John Gover, Thomas Synnott, Katie Witte

TEACHERS

Paul Amann
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Clayton Bowers
Meghan Boyle
Paul Brown
Sally Burkhart

Erwin Carlson
Toni Cascioli
Heather Cottrell
Kylee Craven
Noan Dublinski
Robin Eichner
Julie Fisher

Sheri Garnand
Kari Gemar
Jill Hansen
David Huber
Kristina Jackson
Renee Jantz
Priscilla Jensen

Amy King
Mary Ann Leon
Meghan Lorentz
John Lydiate
Jessica Madsen
Scott Madsen
Peggy Marko-Sprague

Mallory Matthews
Danielle Murray
Kim Pascaretti
Jeffrey Ploederl
Wesley Porter
Robert Ryan
Jeanne Schroeder

Jessica Sellers
Joshua Sherk
Tiffany Strolis
Sharon Thompson
Roberta Violette
Stephanie Voss
Ernest Watson

Stacy Weiss
Sheryl Whitehead
Cassandra Witherspoon

Not Pictured: Laura Riddle, Cindy Winder, Brenda Yoder

INSTRUCTIONAL ASSISTANTS

Jessica Andrade
Barbara Bregenzer
Jessica Calvin
Belinda Carroll
Nicole Daake
Alida Eyrich-Hunt
Benjamin Feistner
Kathee Frings
Liliana Gonzalez
Natalie Heywood
George Hughes
Jana Jackerson
Yessica Martinez
Rachael McCracken
Delaney McMahon
Viola Rose Muir
Katherine Myer
Alexia Riff
Terri Sauer
Danna Spring
Pamela Wedlich
Sarah Wilkes
Lori Zyats

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SUBSTITUTE STAFF

Bonelle Amann
Franklyn Amann
Cindy Anderson
Lora Berness
Elena Bricoccoli
Christine Fahrenbruch
Michael Gallagher
Ella Mae Hammack
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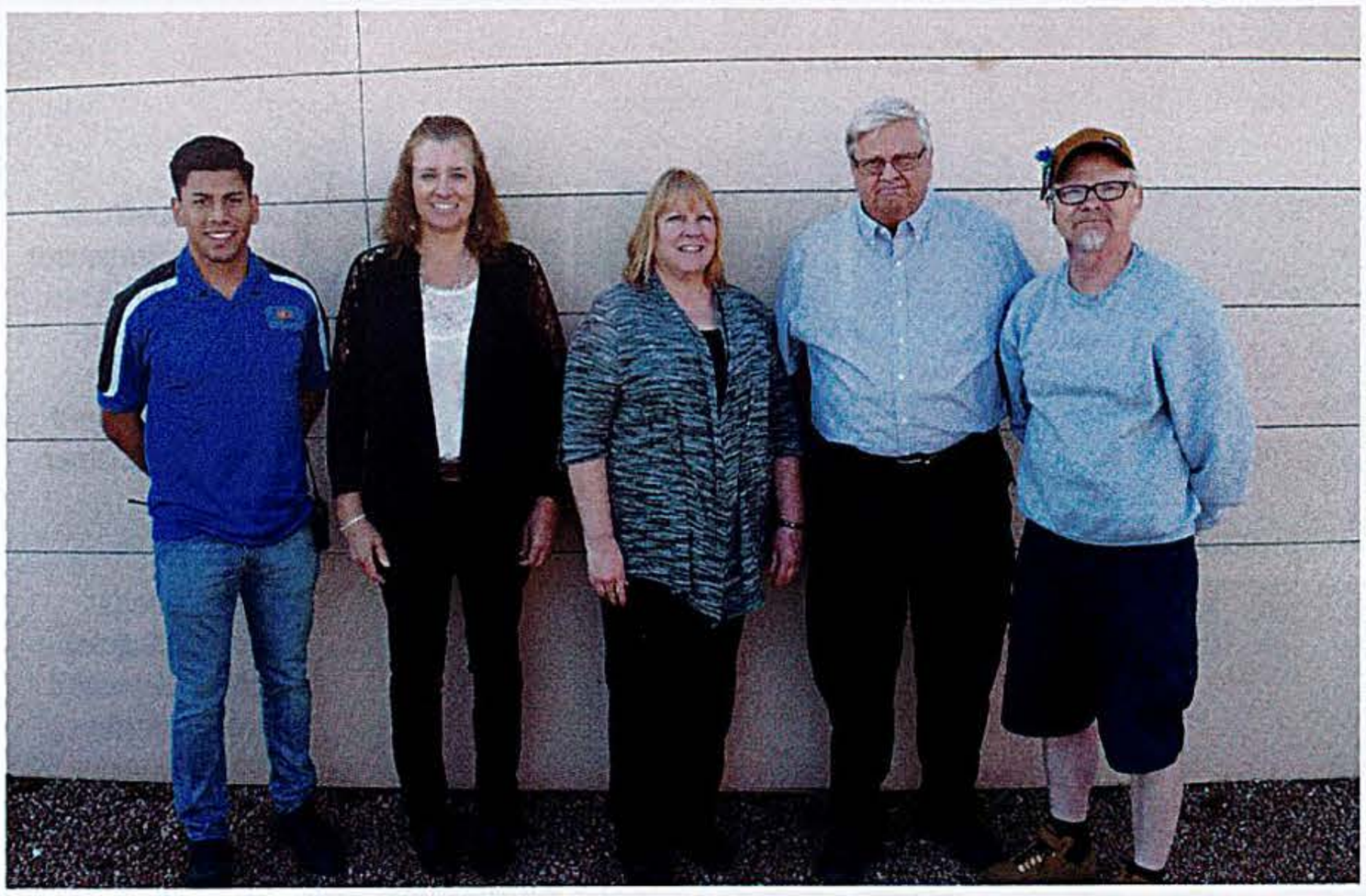
TRANSPORTATION SERVICES



From Left to Right:
Diego Angeles, Jacki Monnat, Kim Espino, Jim Spencer, Edward Thompson

Not Pictured: Cristina Moreno, Laurie Atchley

Drivers:
Paul Banales
Ron Binder
Teresa Botos
Zach Causey
Ron Gold
Richard Hamblin
Lupe Maldanado
Bob O'Shields
Mirko Prole
George Robinson
Lisa Robles
Jack Shaw
Tom Thompson

Chaperones:
Maria Amaya
April Atkins
Carolina Castelo
Iza Hadzic
Carmen Hamblin
Jasmine Henderson
Ramona Ibarra
Crystal Johnson
Yin Liu
Ada Martinez
Barry Nelson
Kathleen Prokopek
Yuridia Salgado
Martha Williams

Not Pictured: Tim Turley

FOOD SERVICES

From Left to Right:
Sylvia Duarte, Becky Urbieta, Pat Franco, Deb Rapaport, Jon Wilson, Irma Cortes, Stephanie Ramirez

FACILITIES

From Left to Right:
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SECURITY

From Left to Right:
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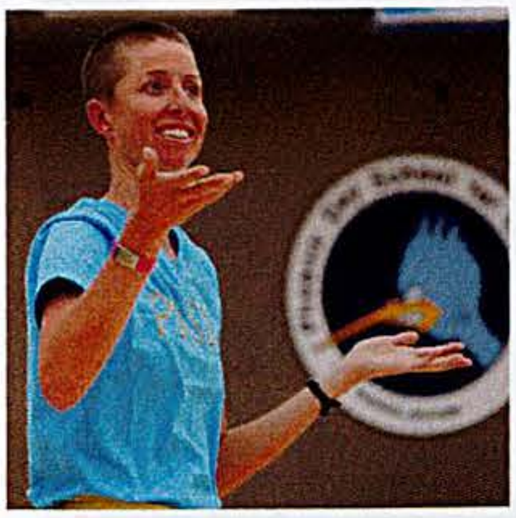
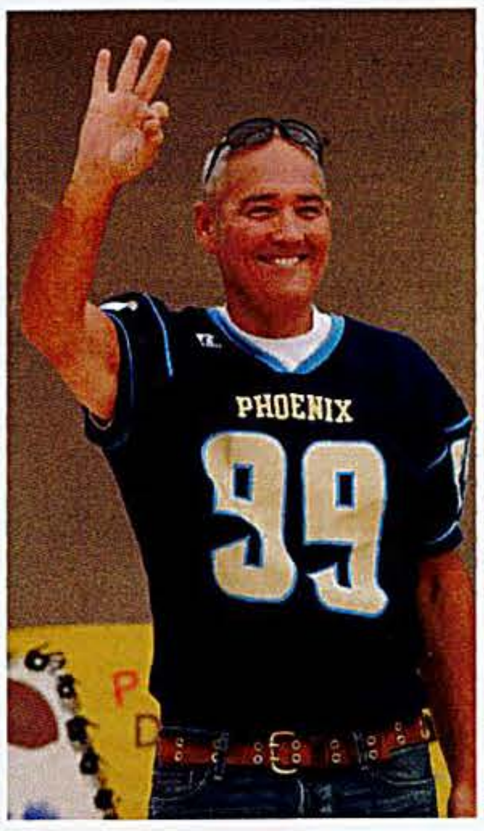
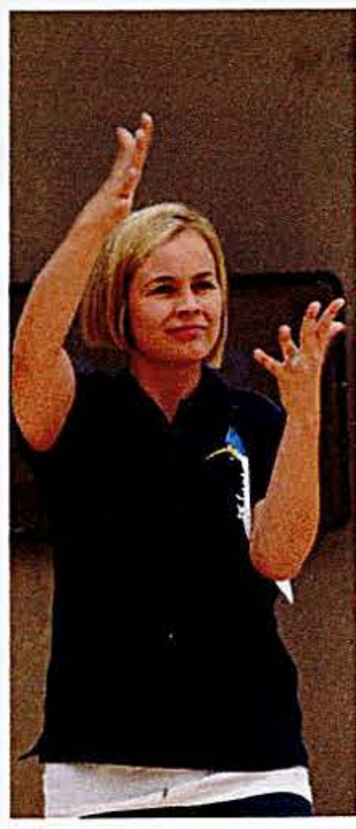
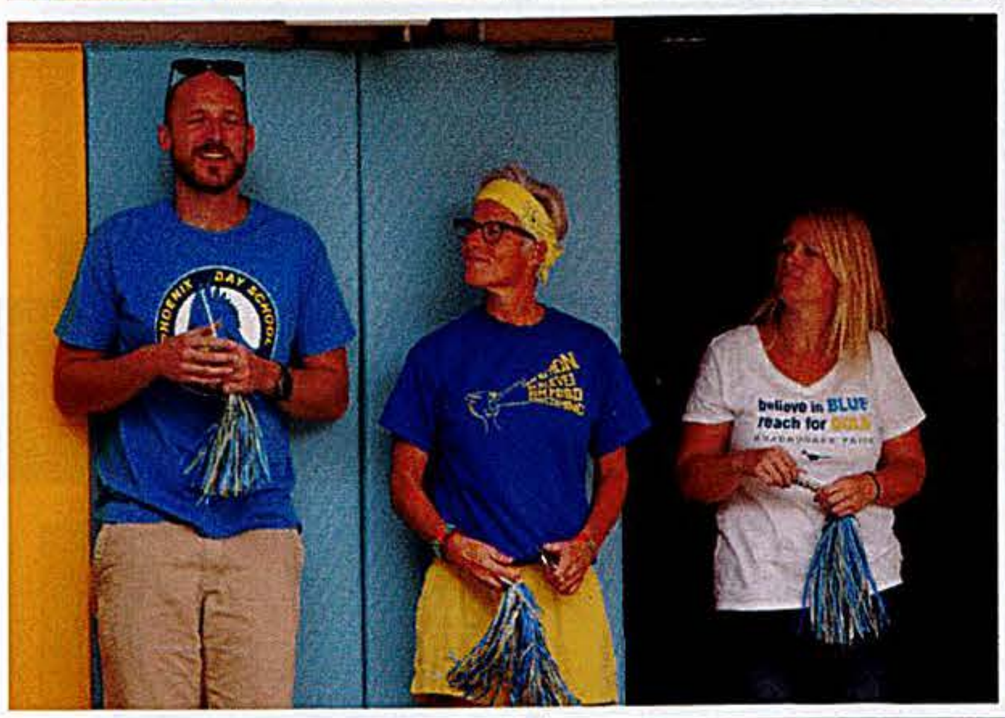
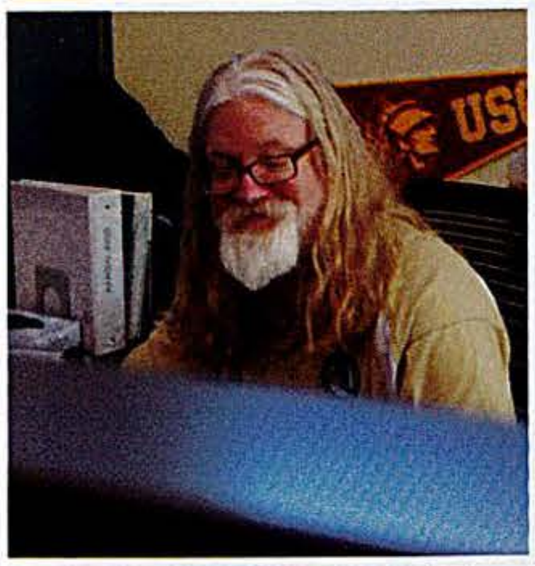
Staff in Action

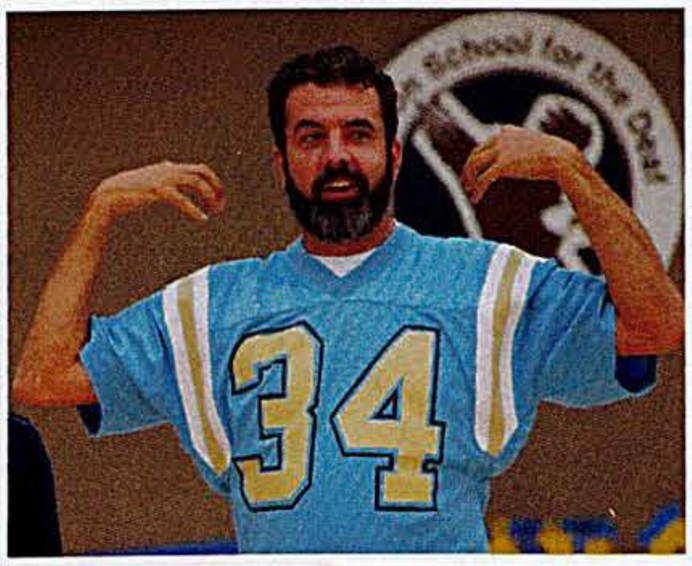


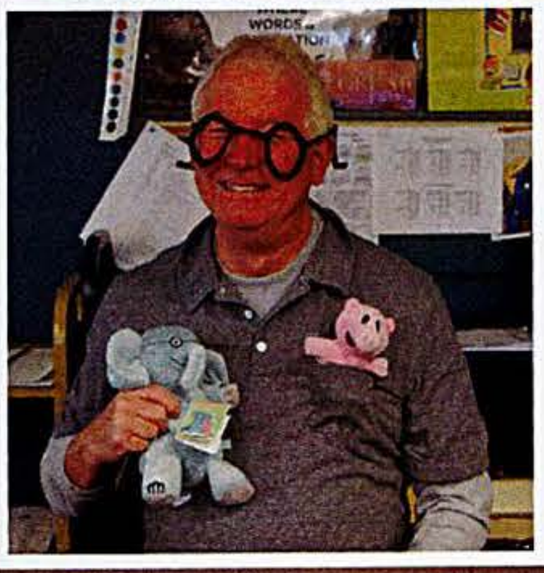


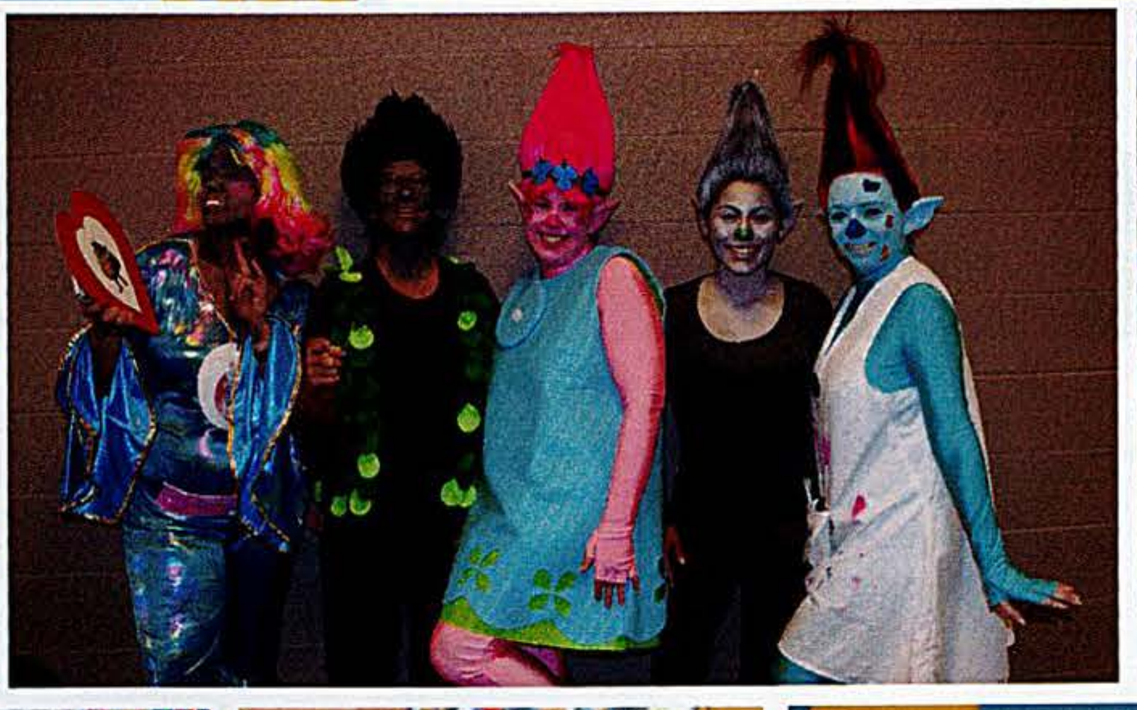


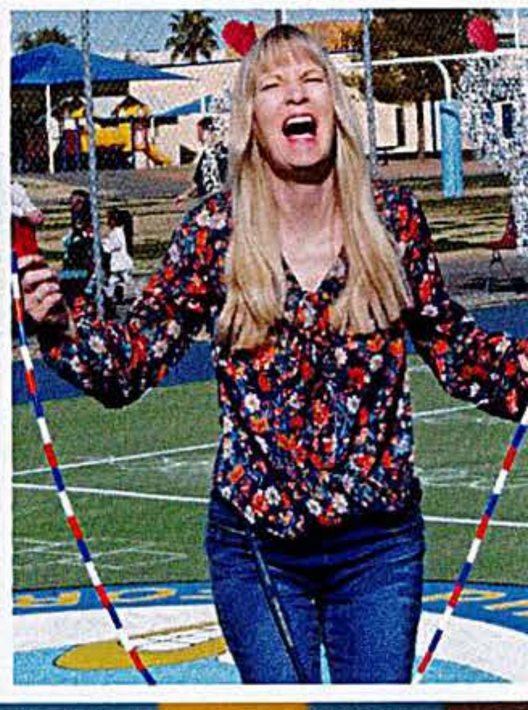












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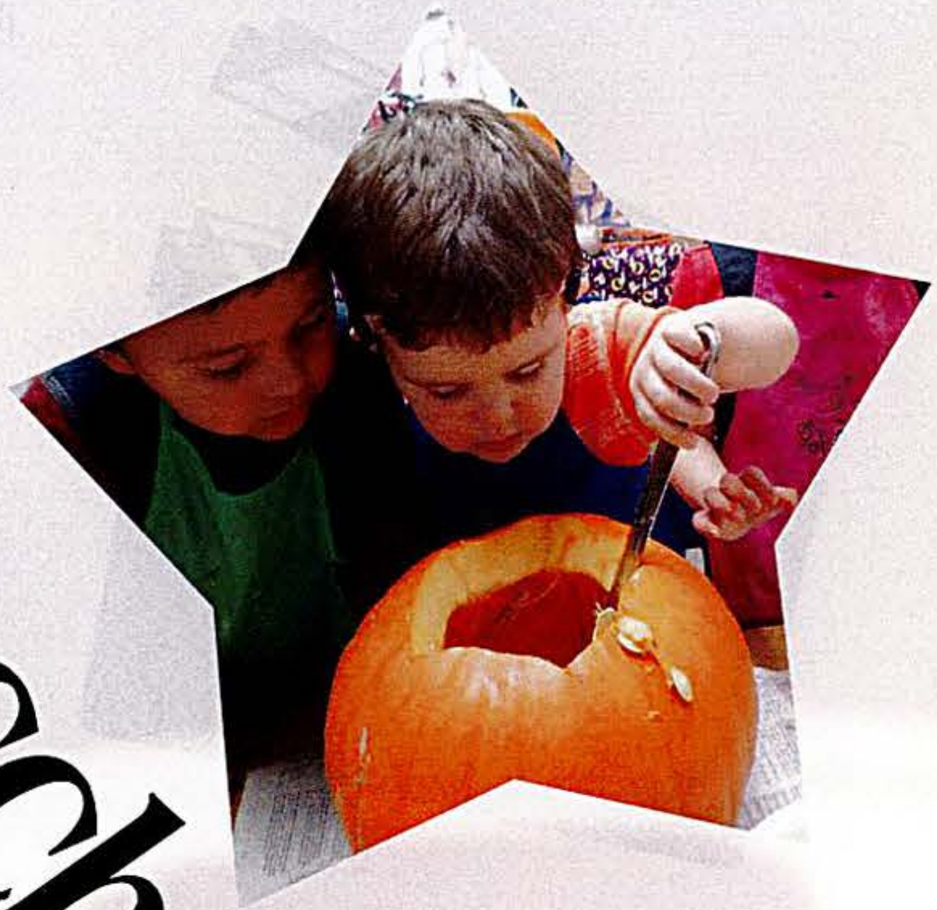

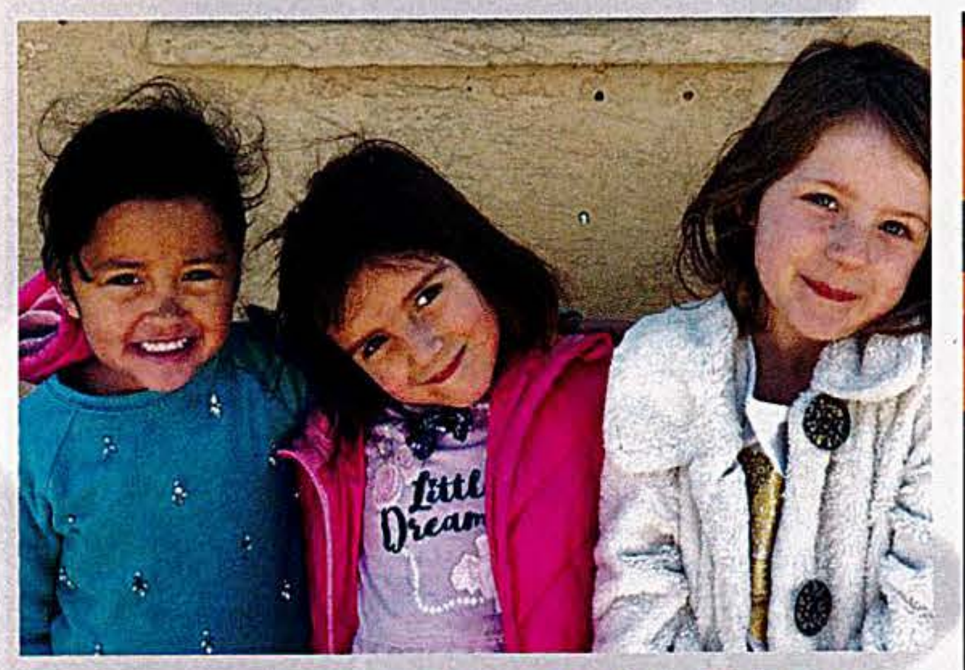

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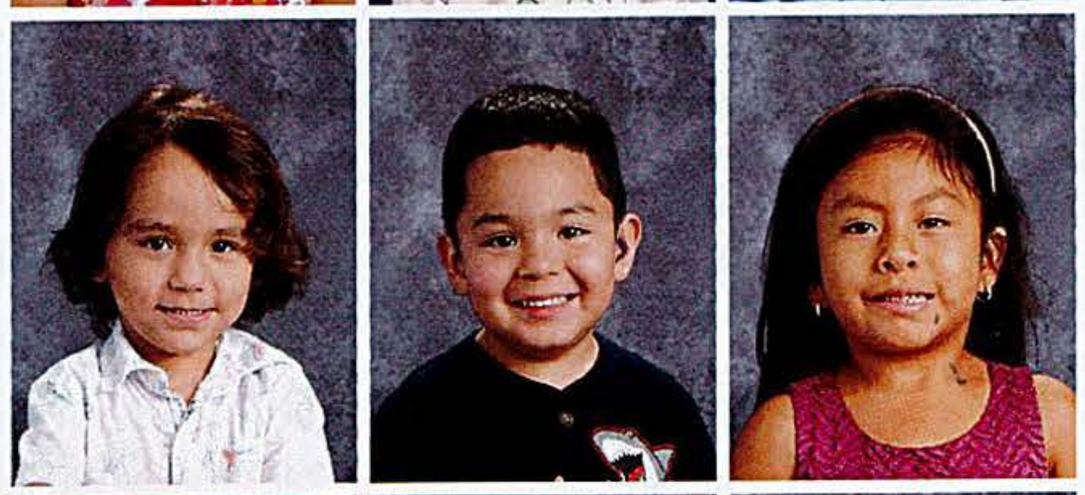

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Juan Campos Avila
Cindy Castillo

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Jasmin Contreras Stevenson
Aria Coratolo
Felix Del Bosque

Nehemiah Dionicio-Salgado
Jeremiah Dobbs
Benjamin Driggers
Kaylee Grace Ellis
Mila Flores

Nataly Galvan
Adaan Graxiooa
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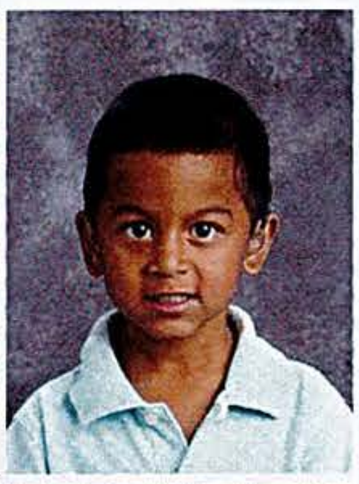

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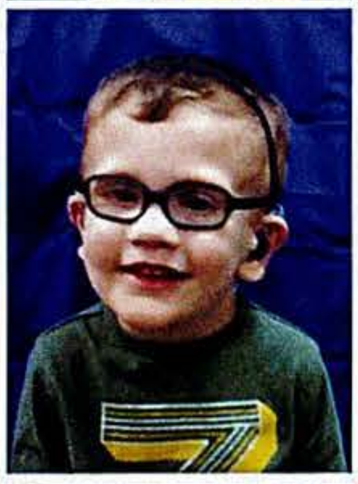

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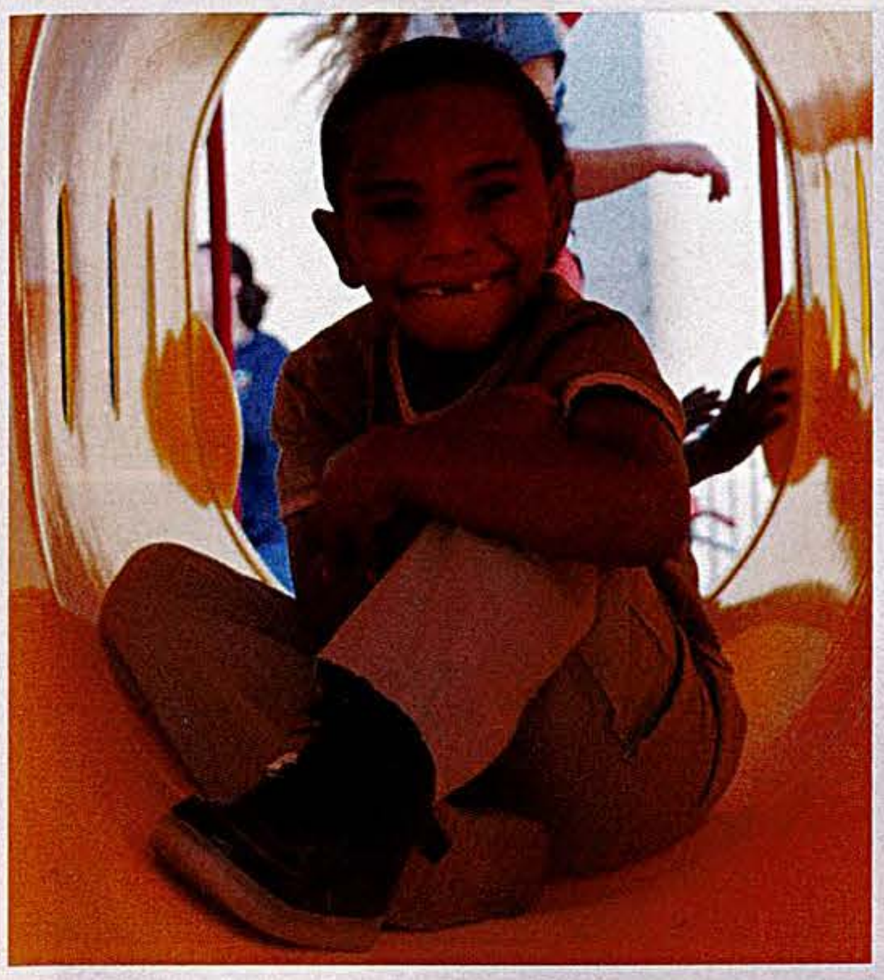
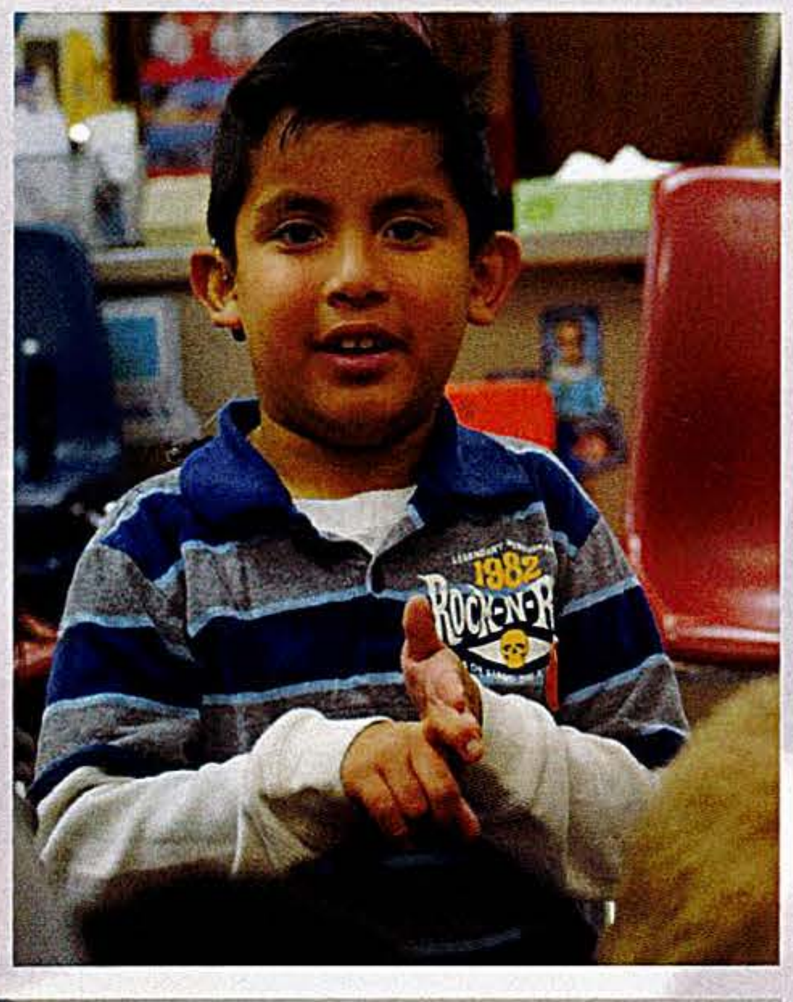
Elementary

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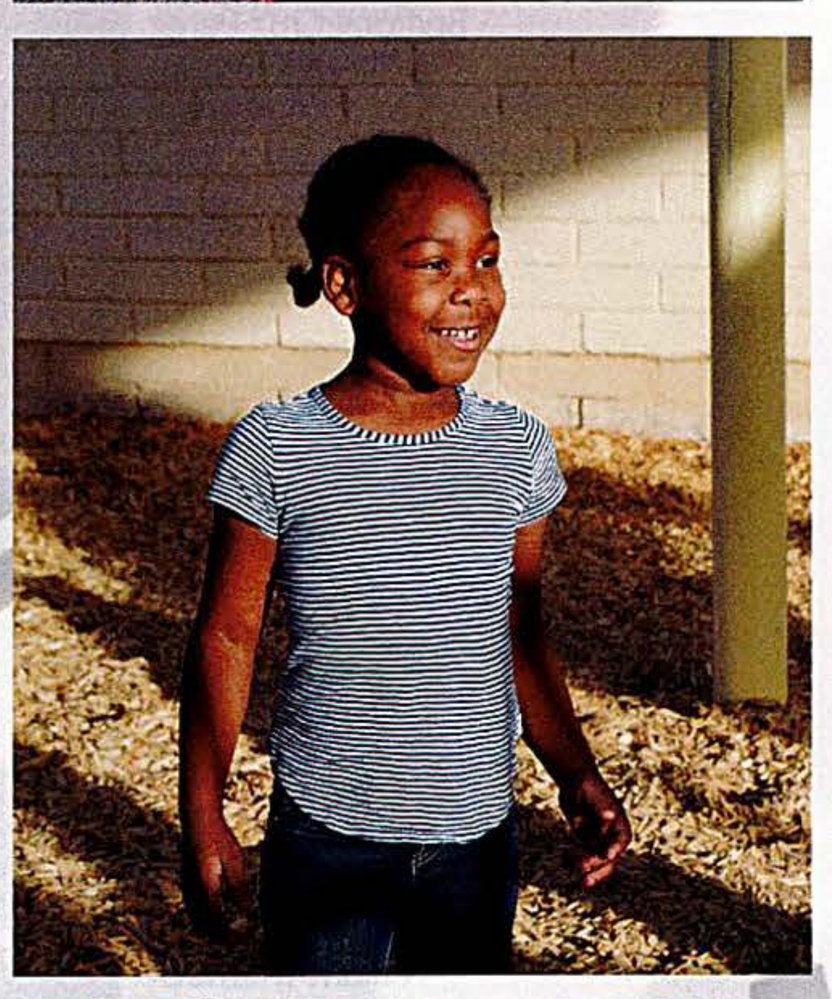

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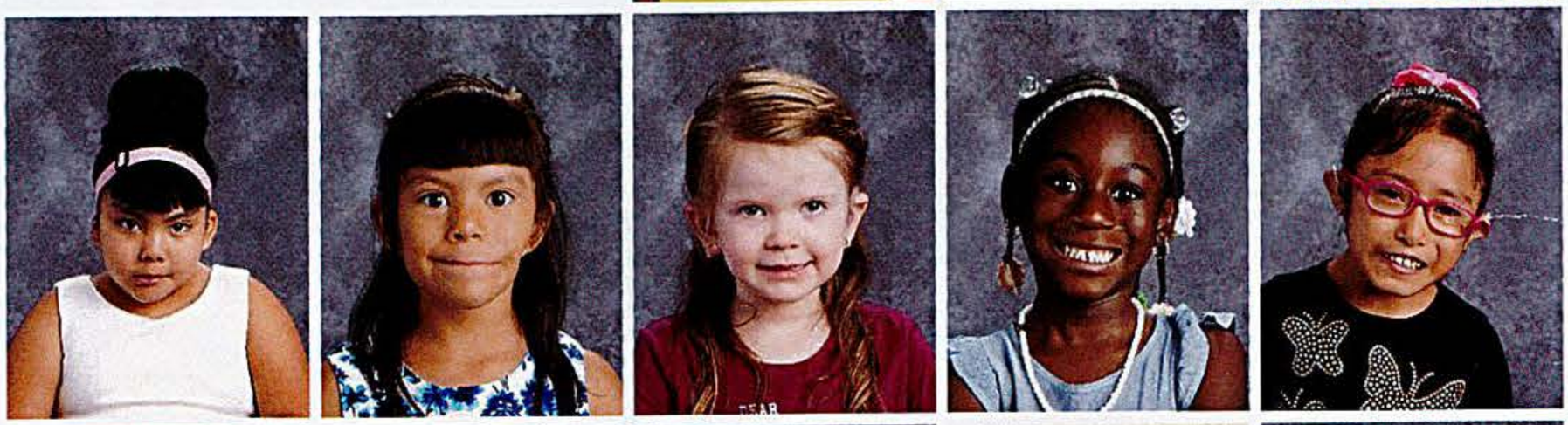

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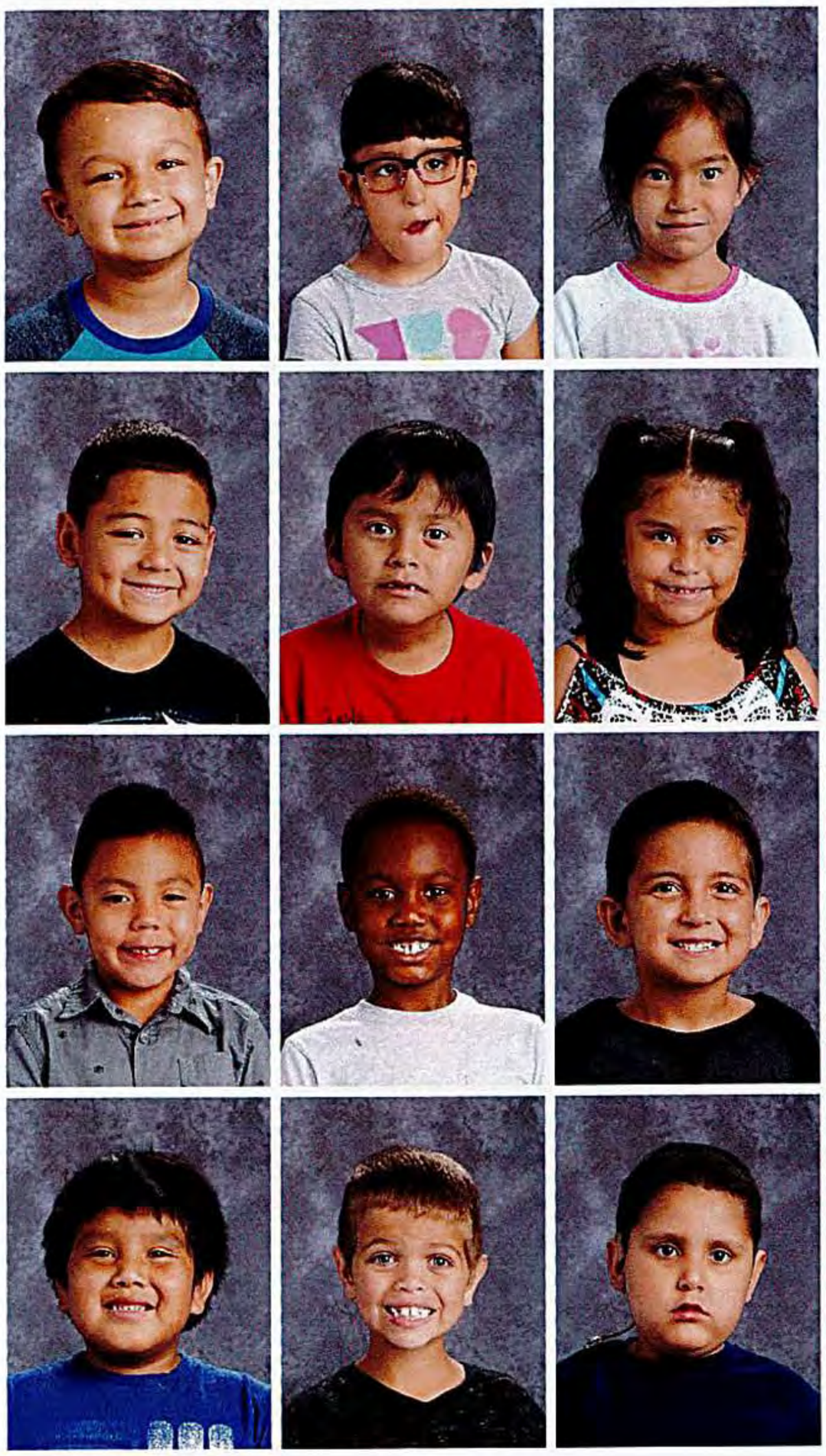

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Jessica Ochoa Torres

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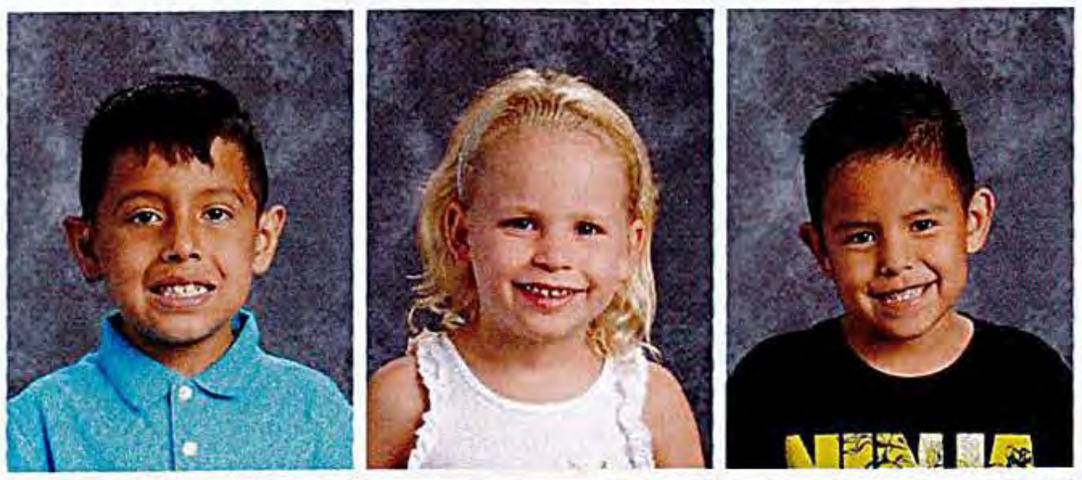

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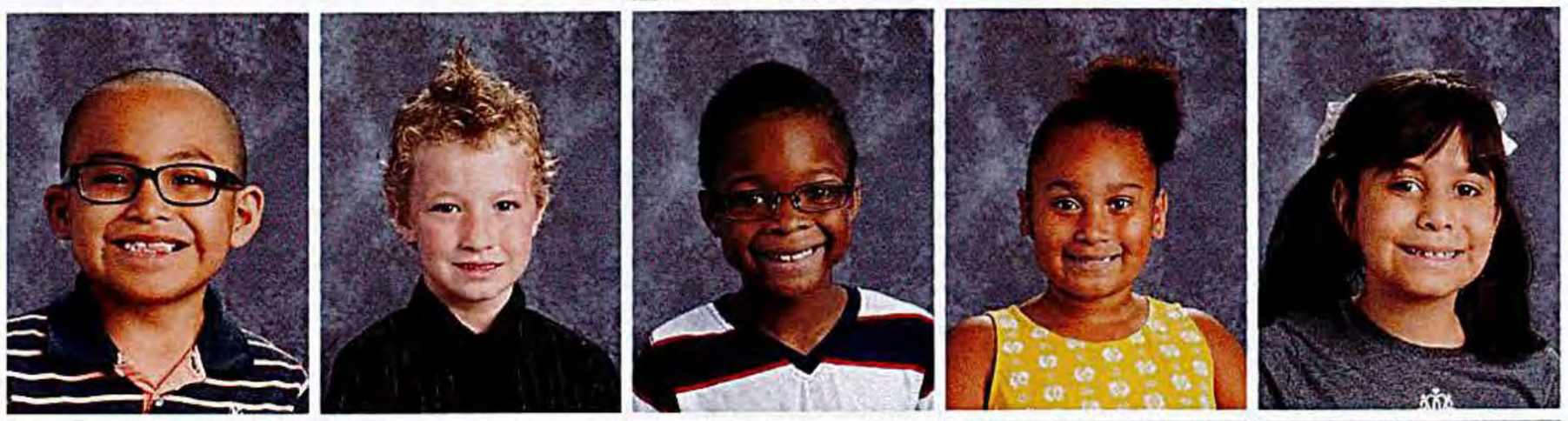

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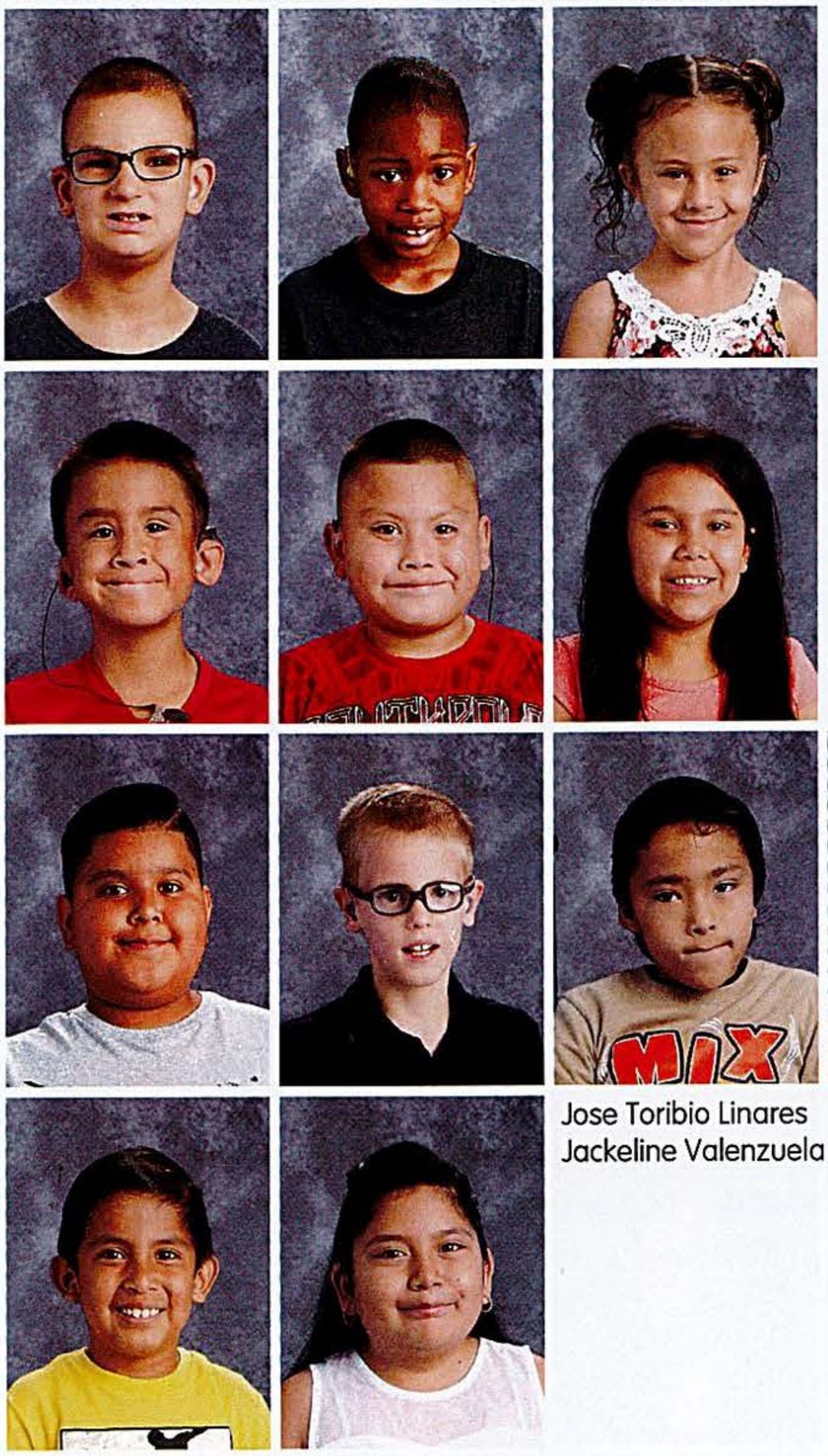

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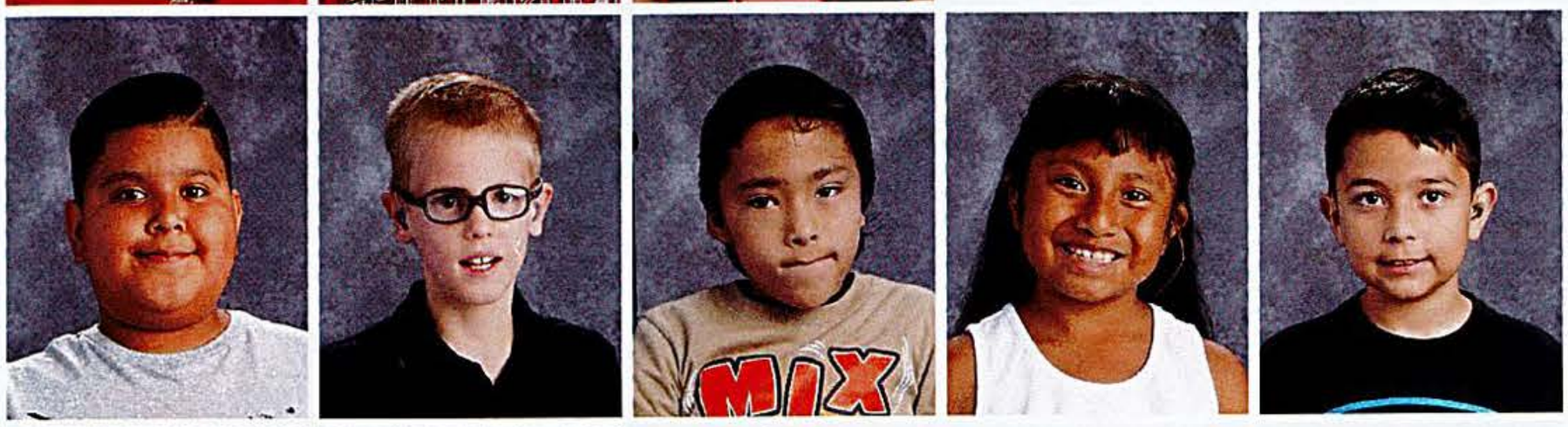
Miriam Mendez



Micheal Montenegro Alvarez
Connor Oxendale
Arturo Rodriguez
Giselle Santiago Santiago
Michael Shelton

Jose Toribio Linares
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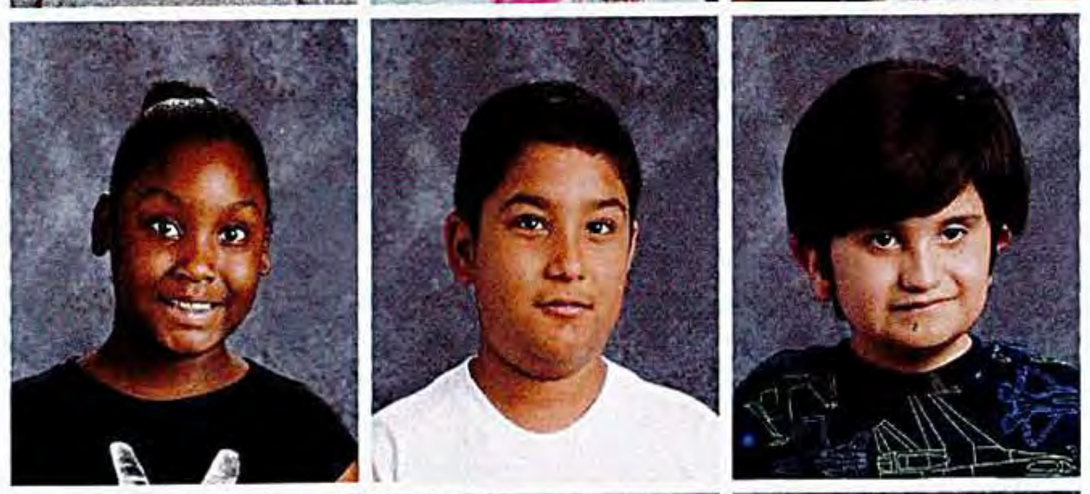

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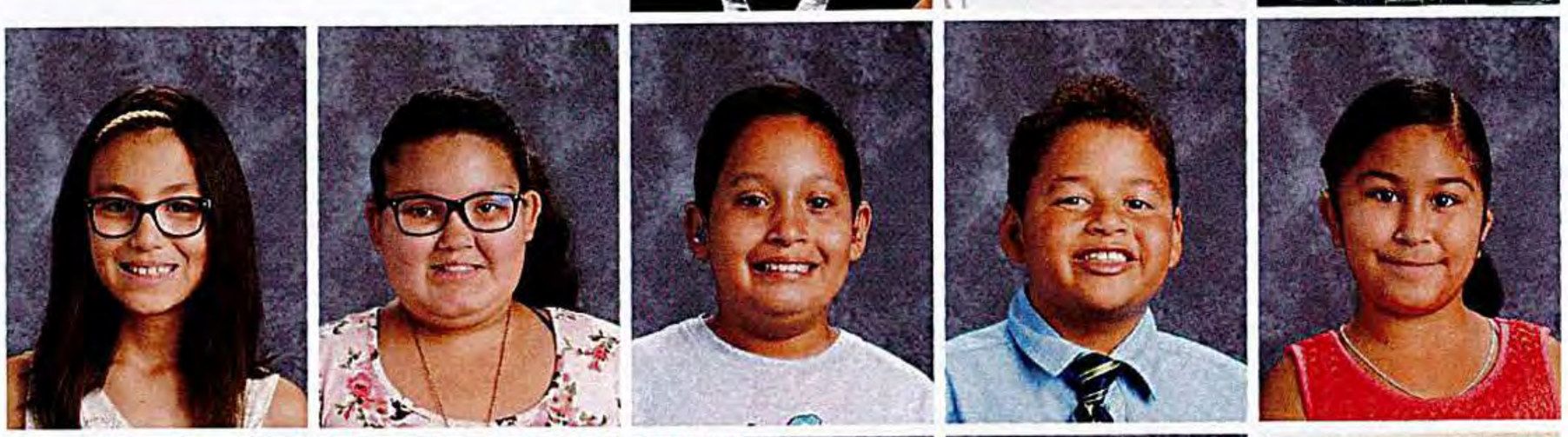

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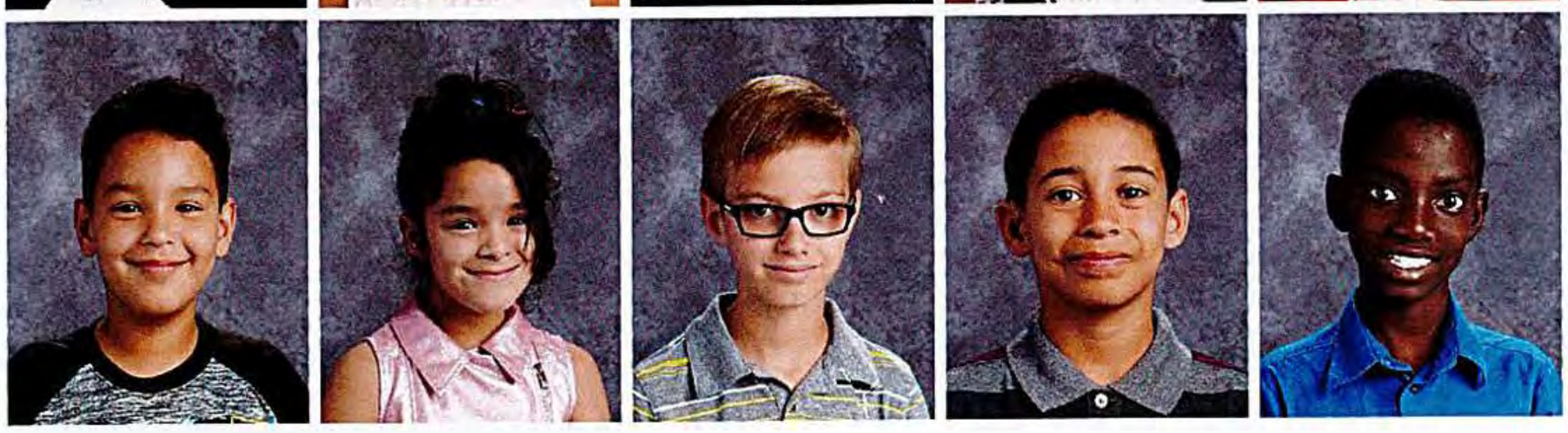

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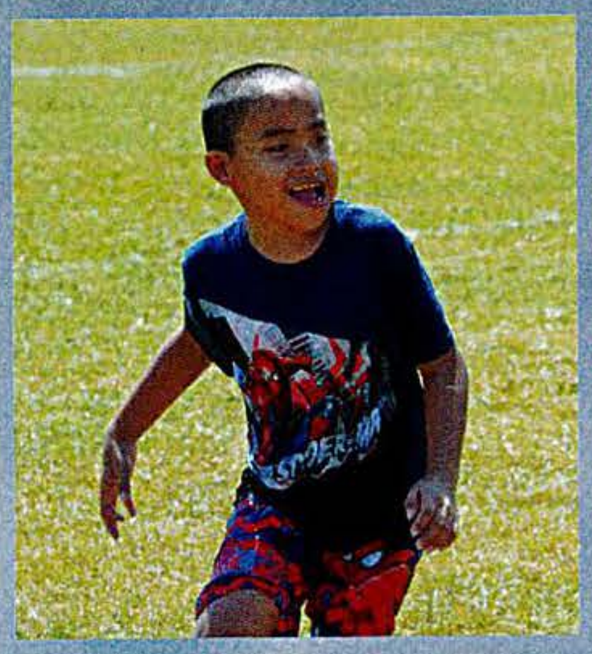

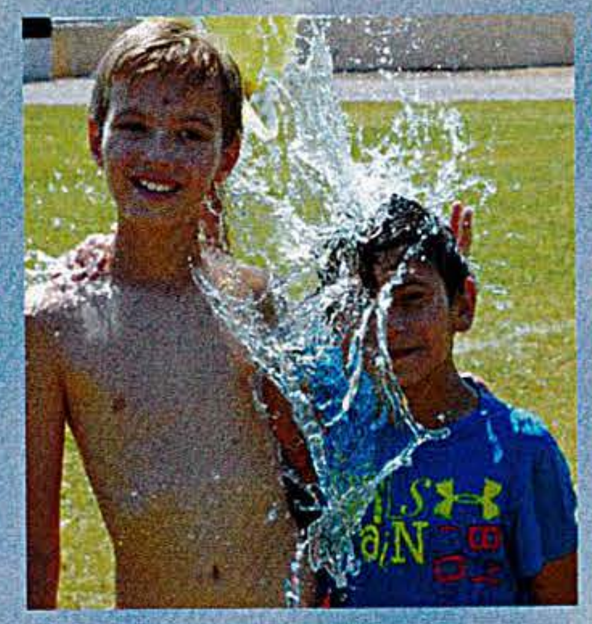

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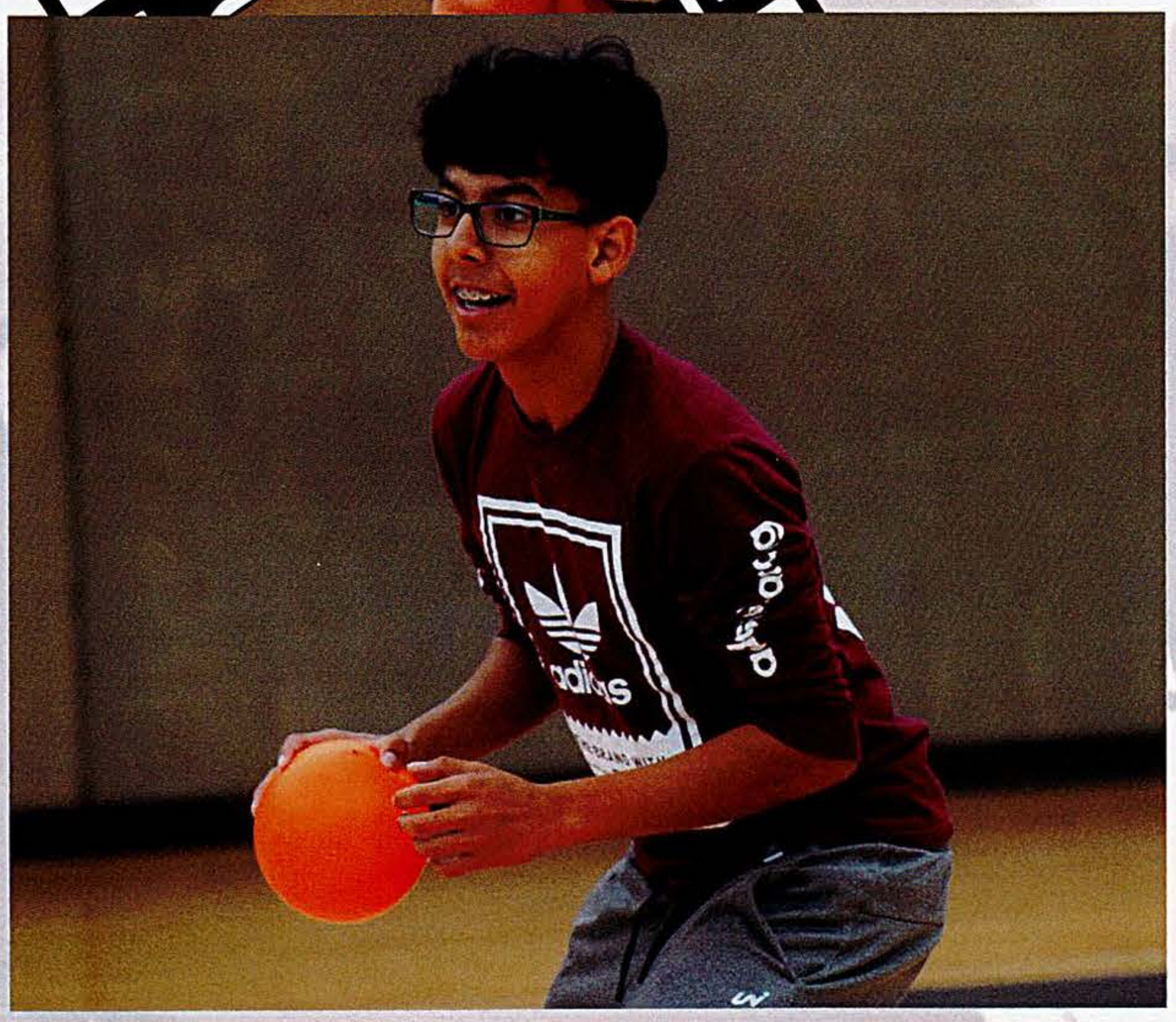

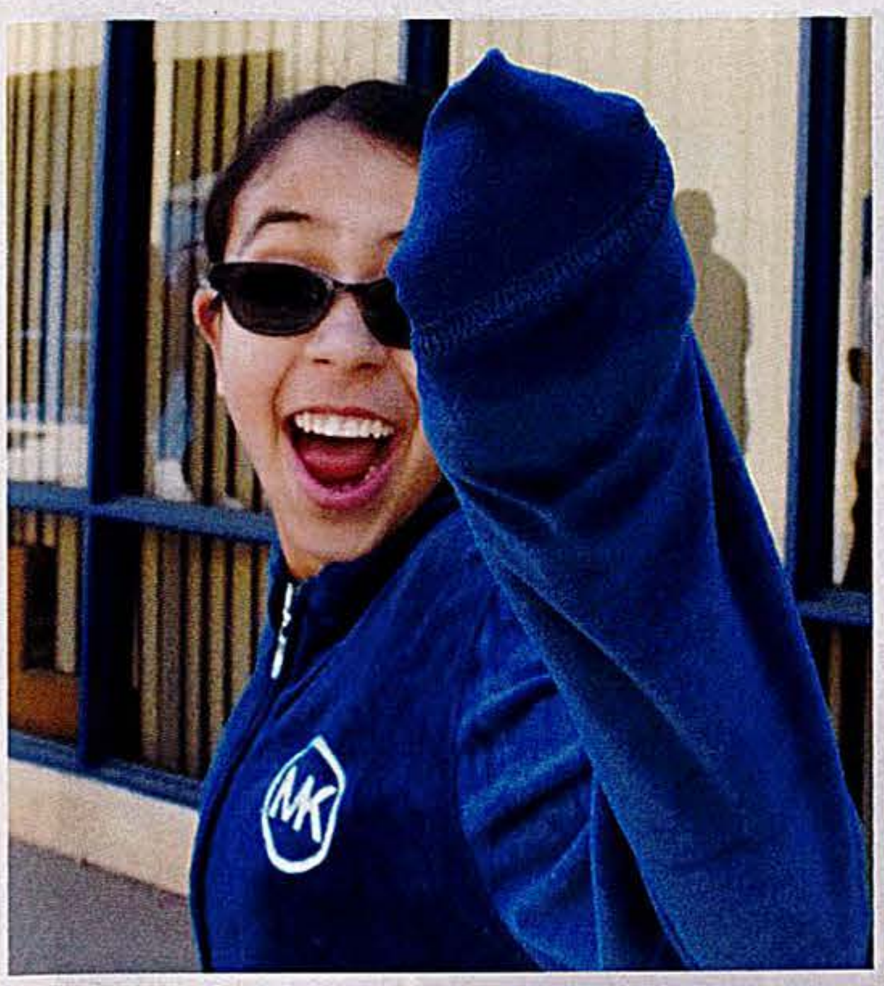

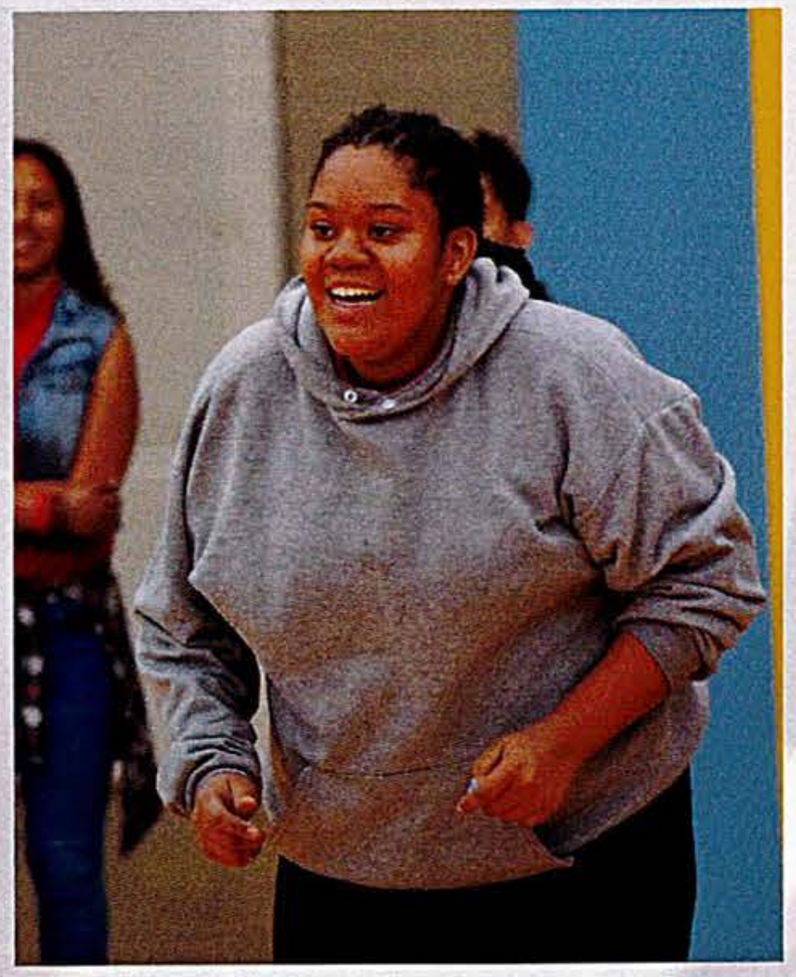

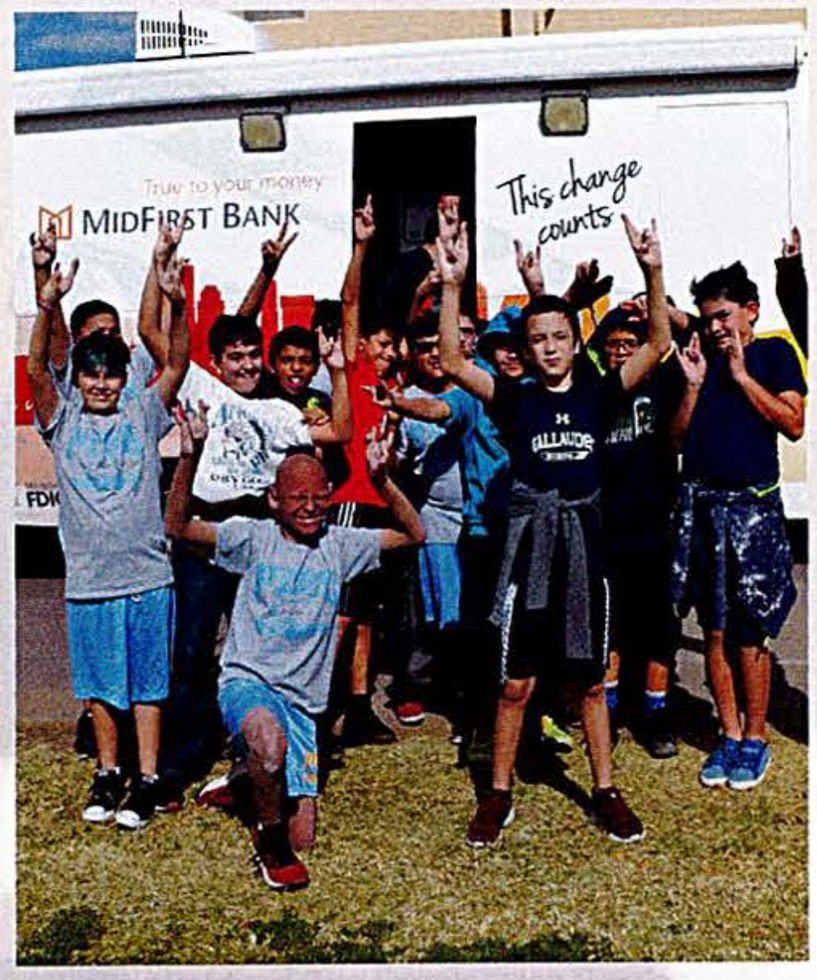
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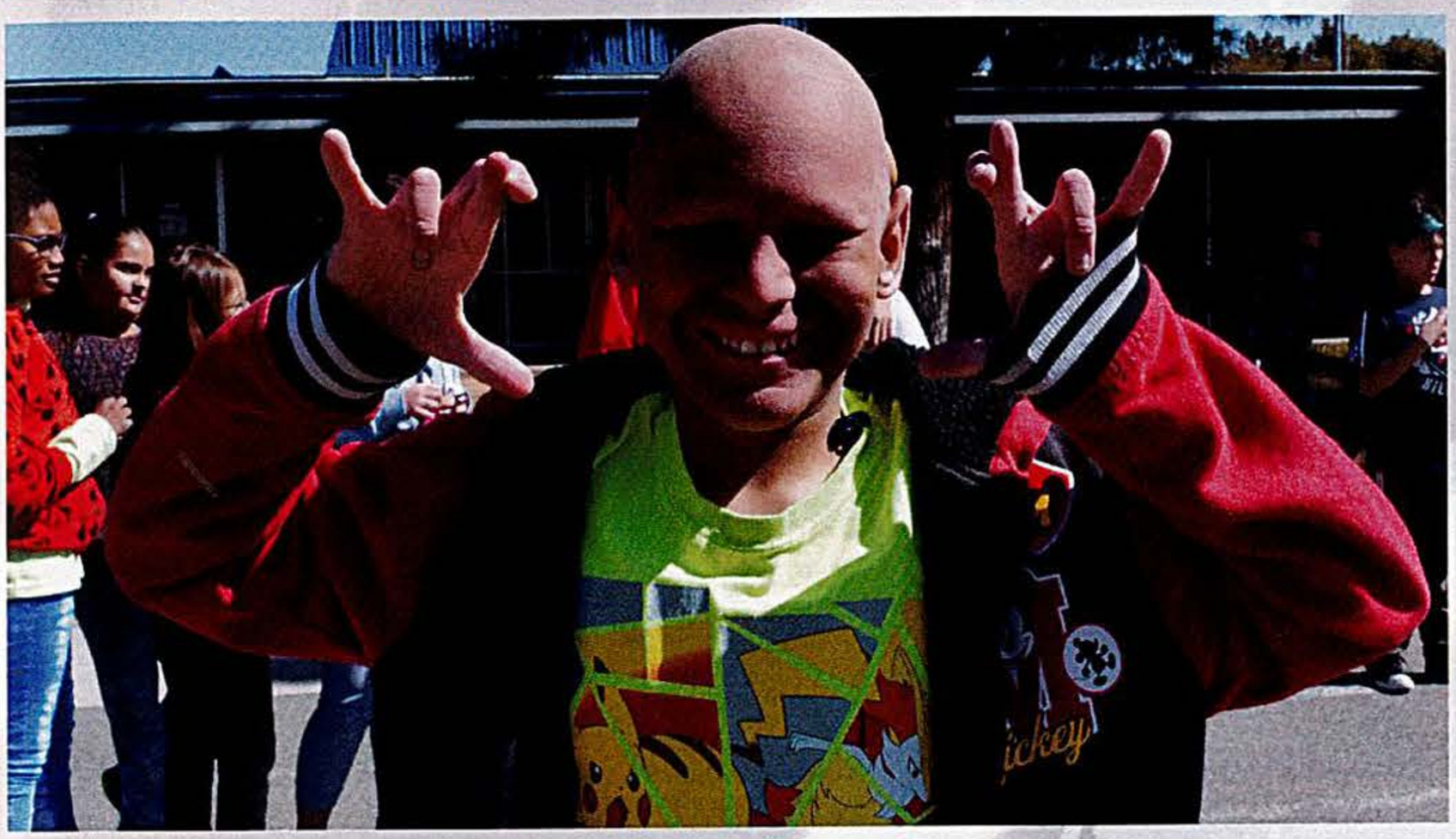

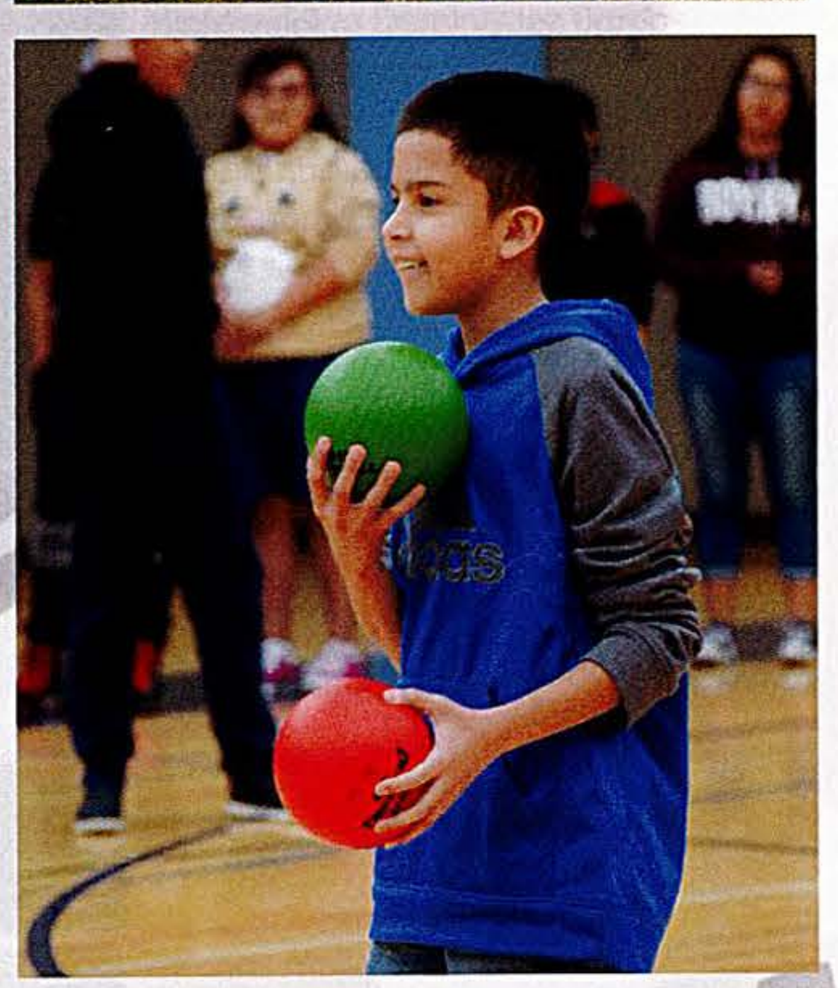

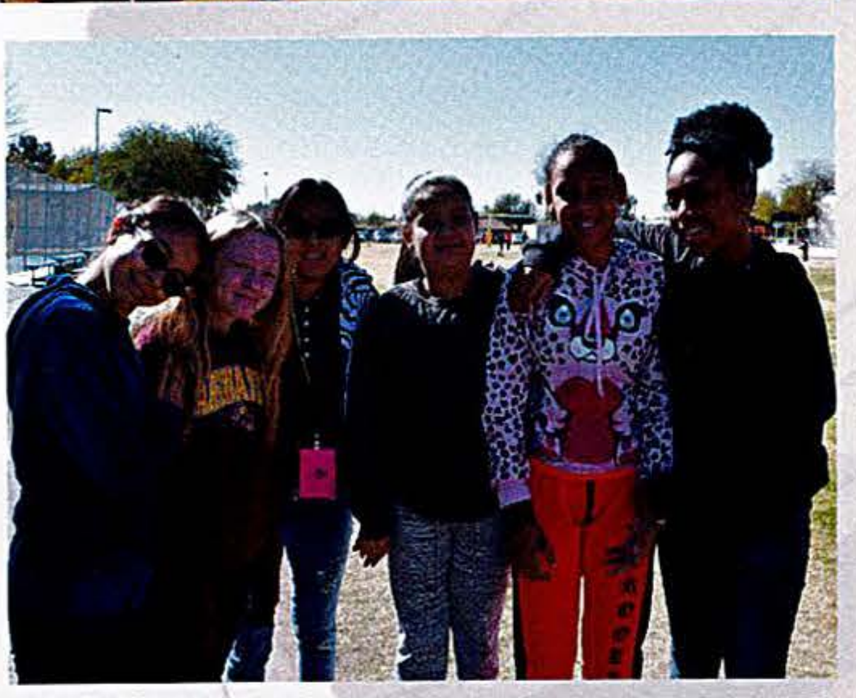

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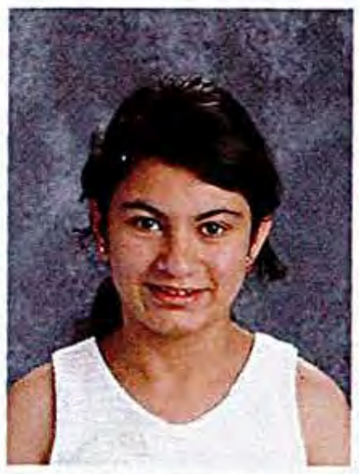

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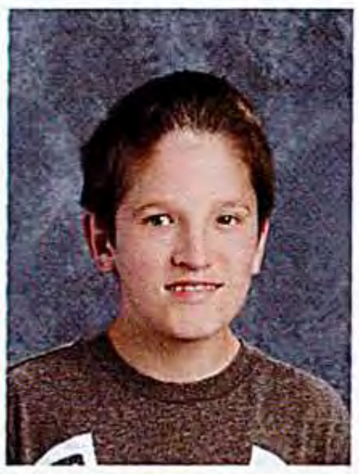

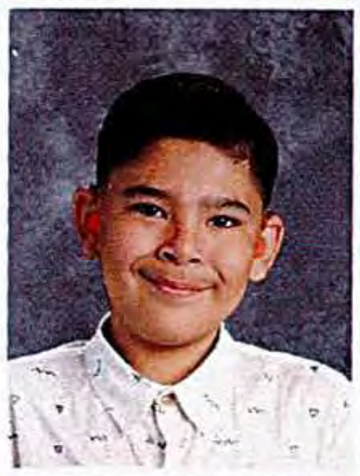

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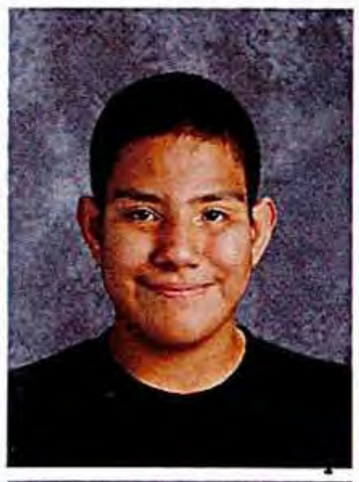

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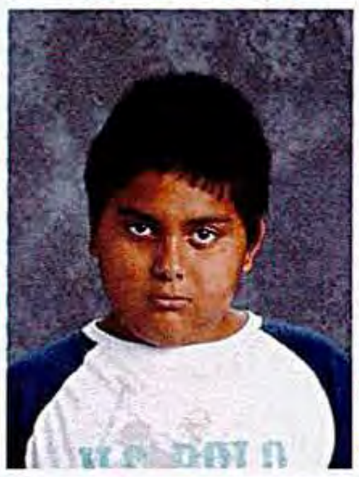

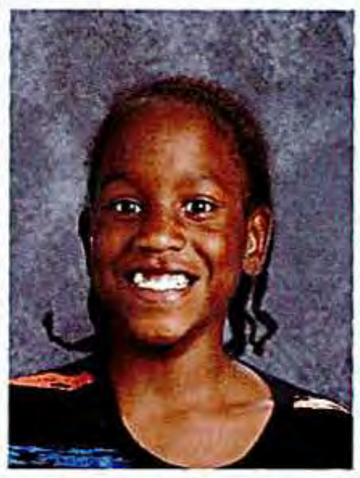

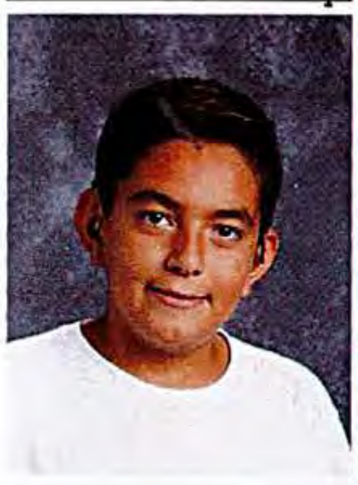

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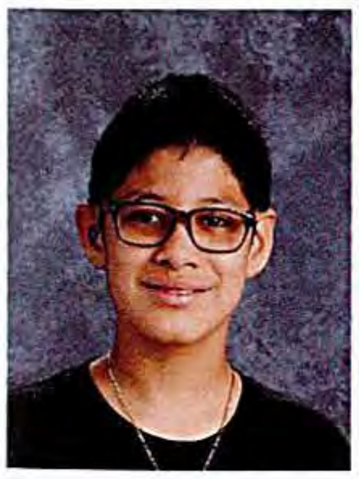

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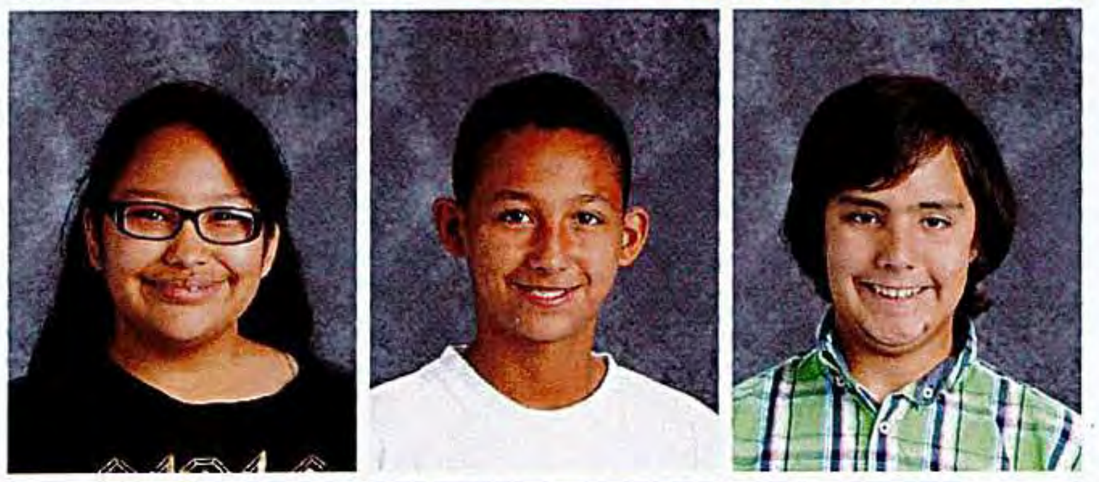

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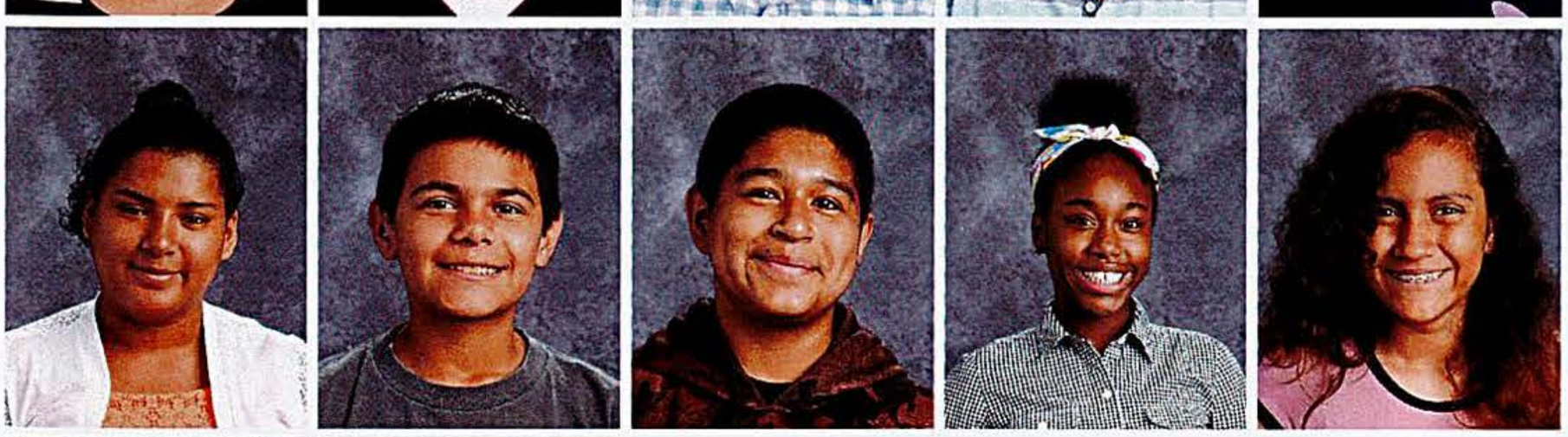

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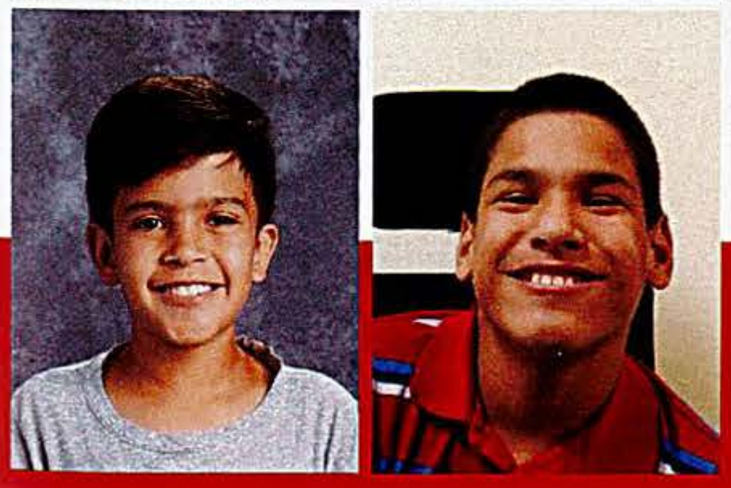

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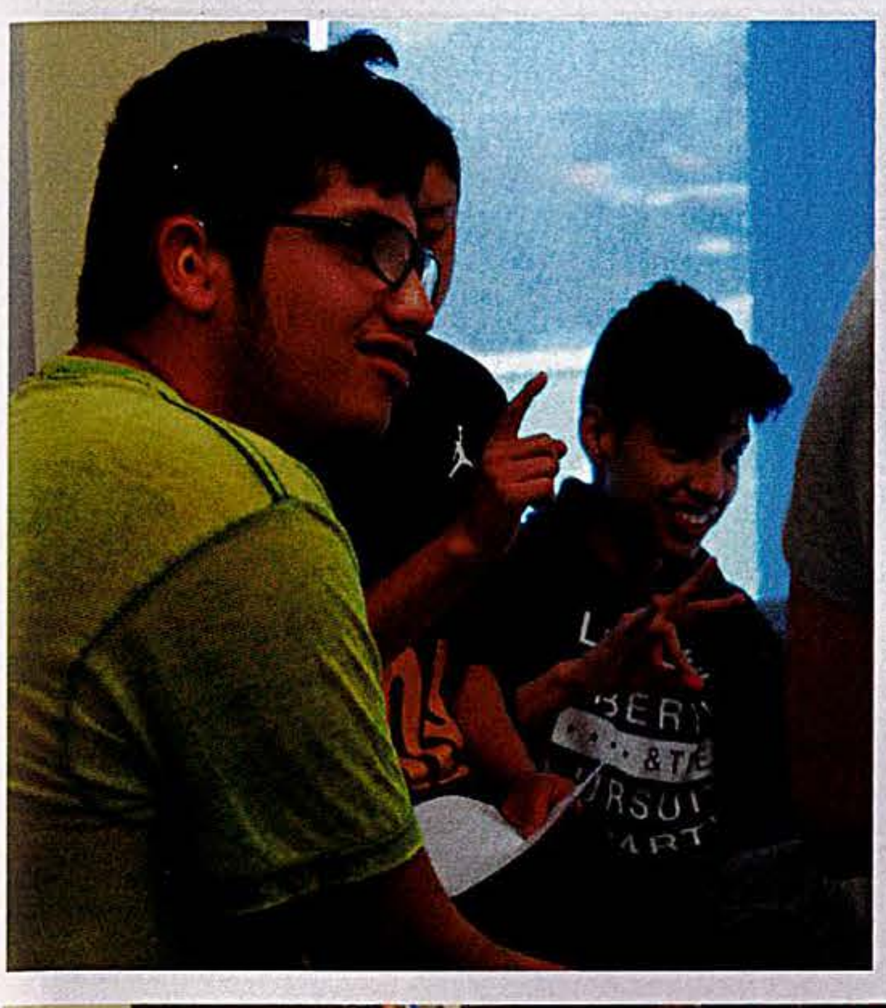

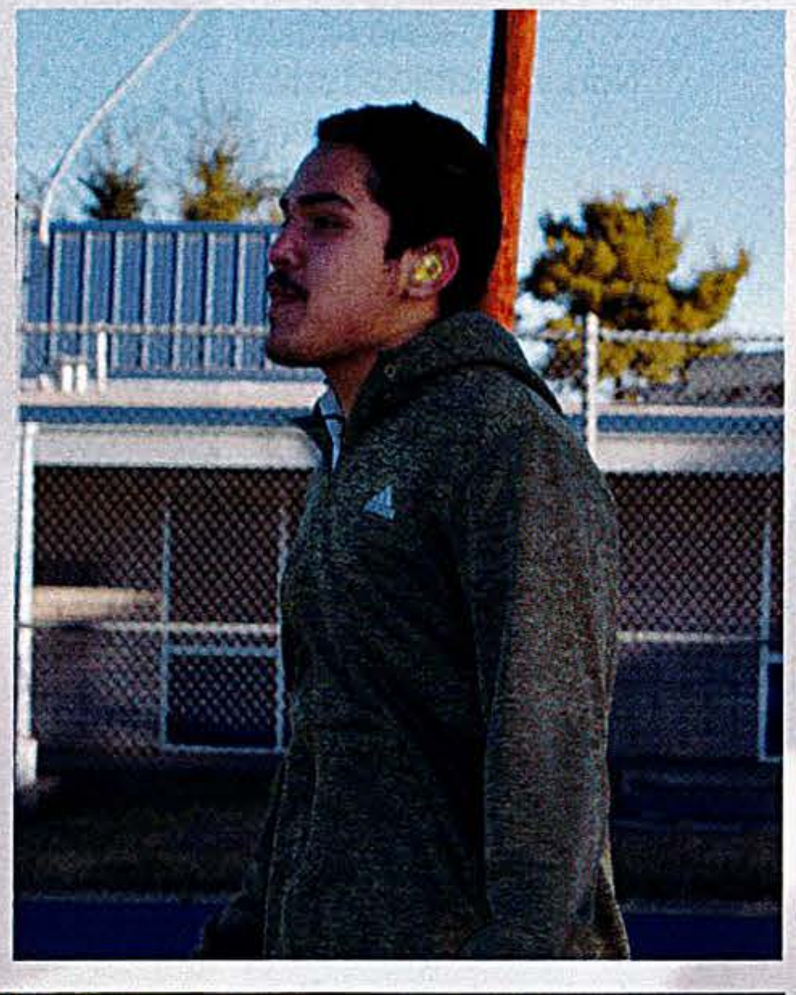

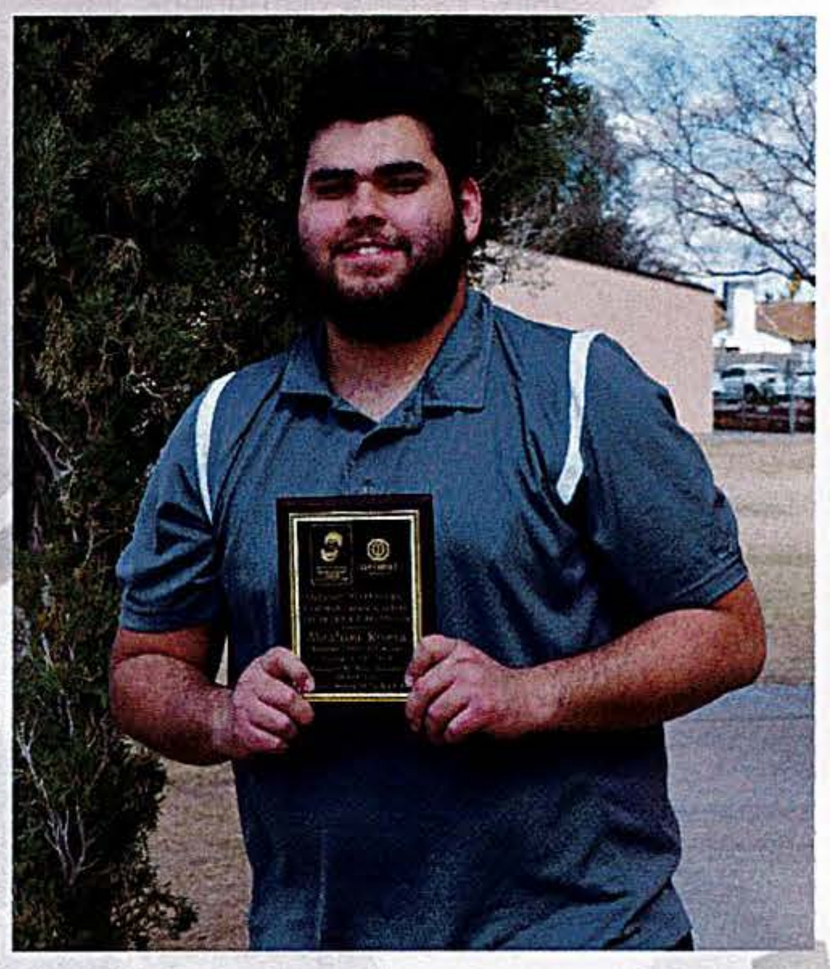

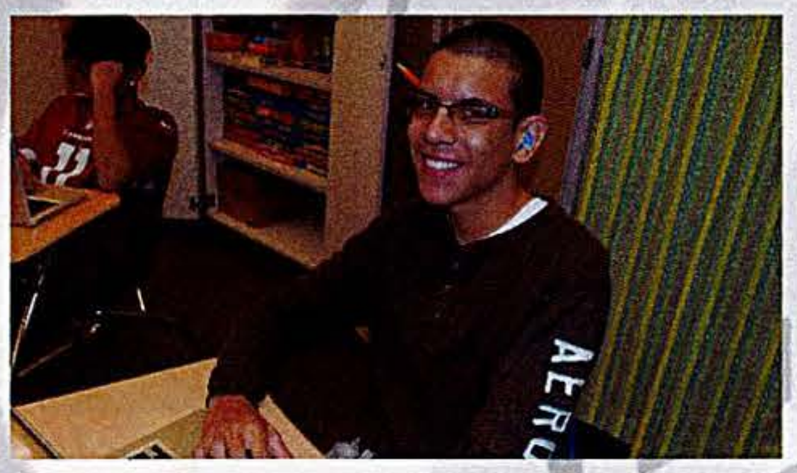

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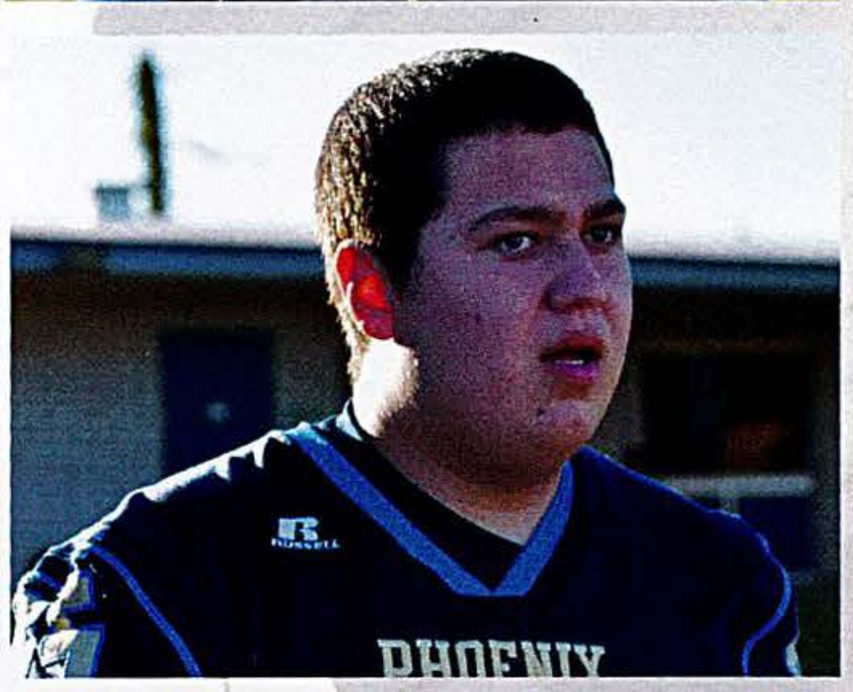
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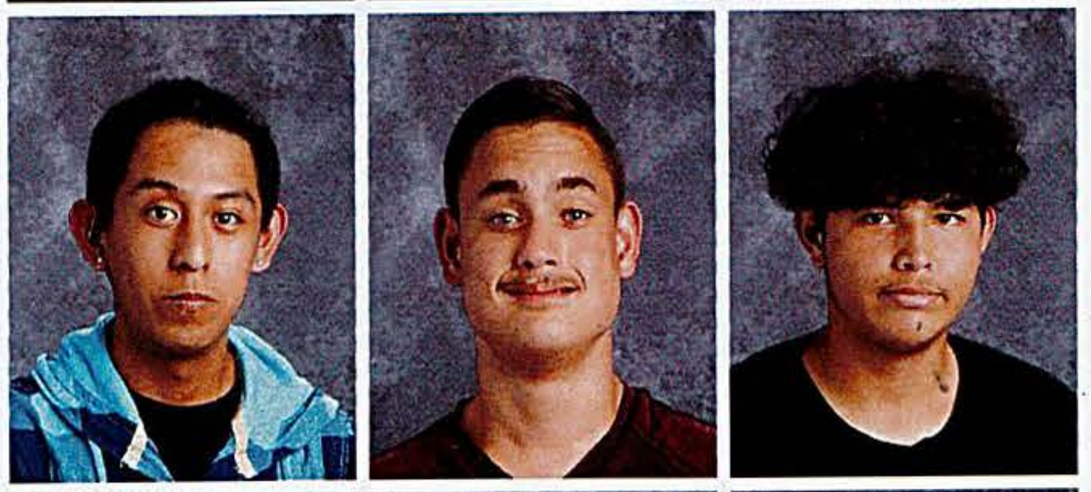

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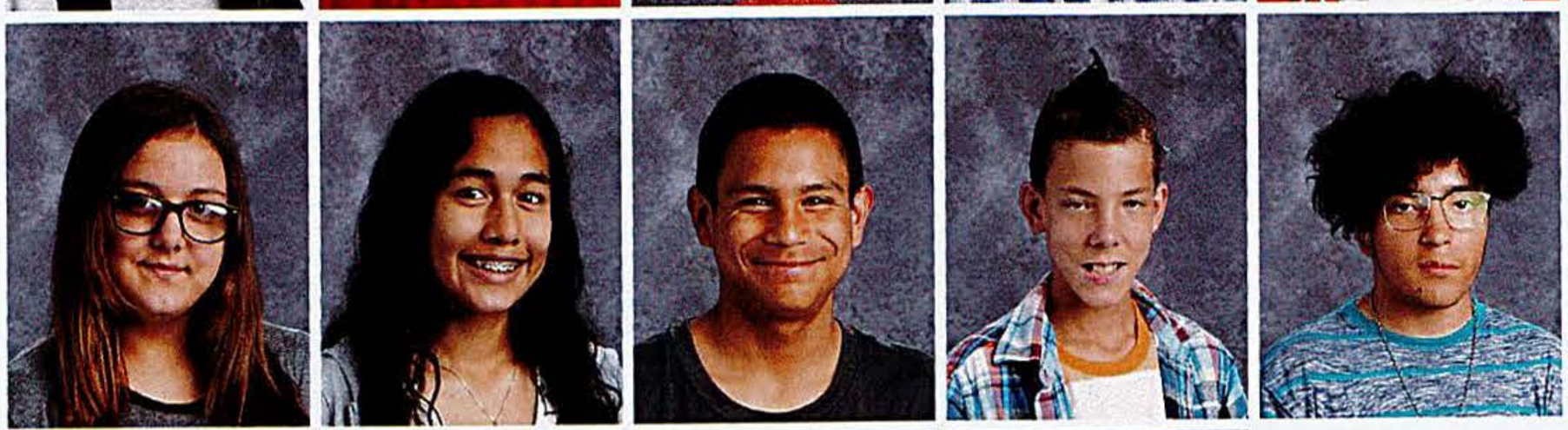

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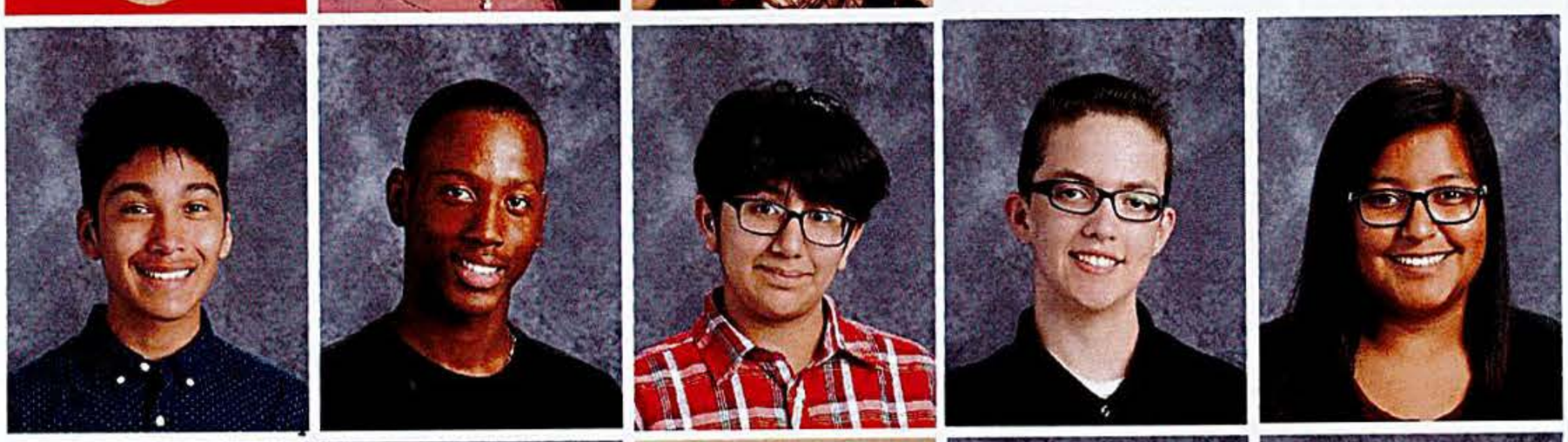

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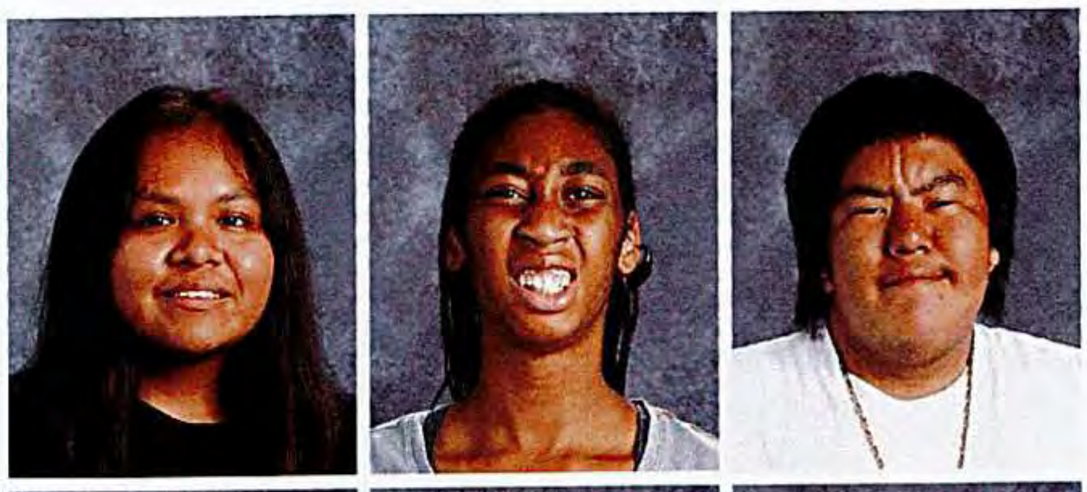

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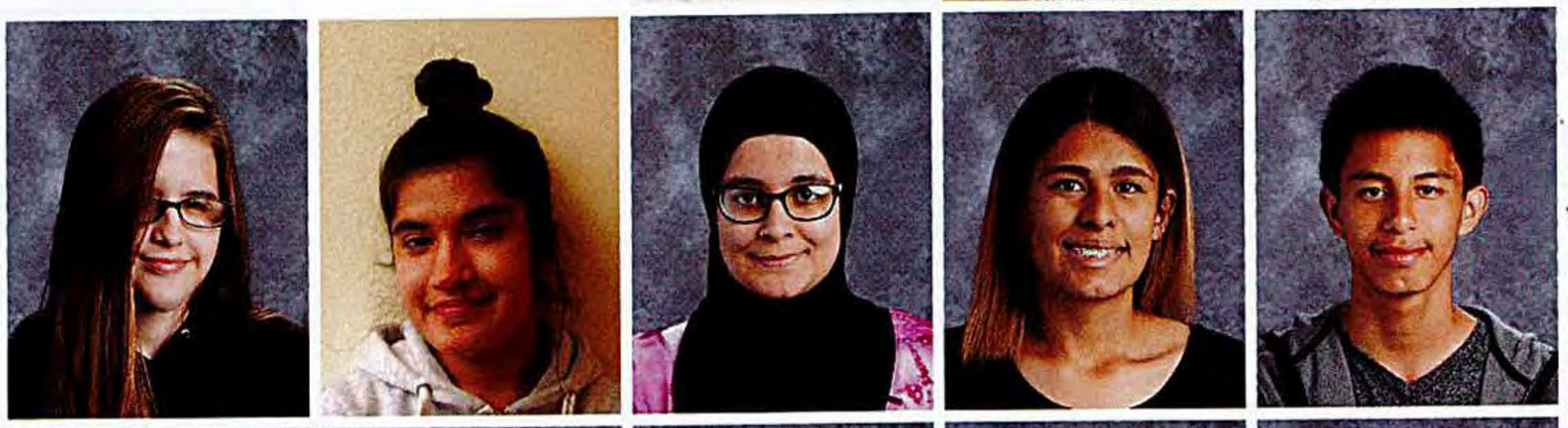

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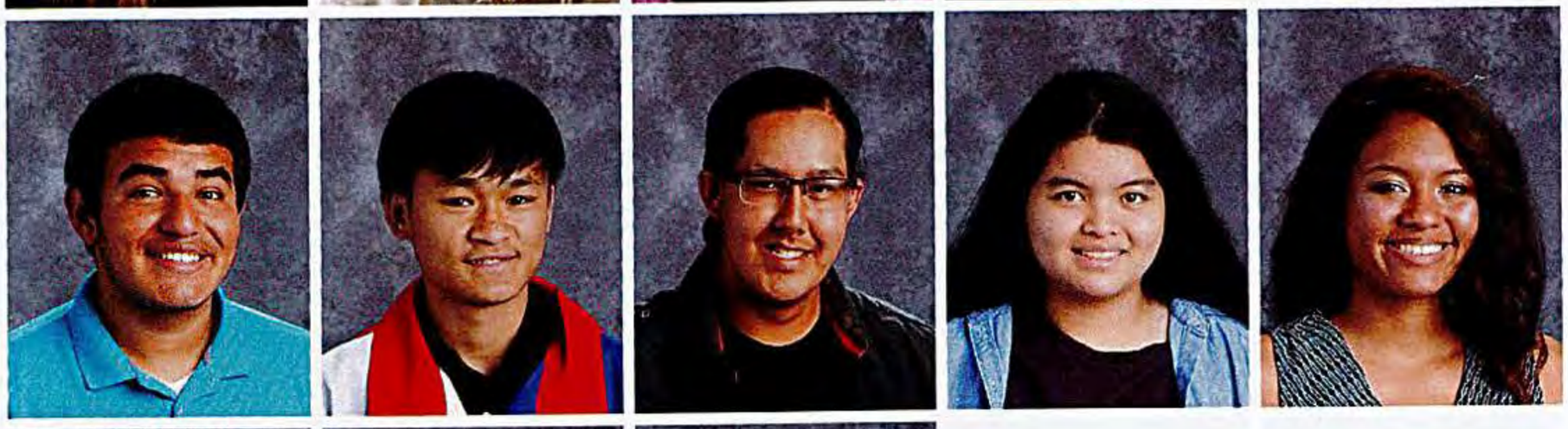

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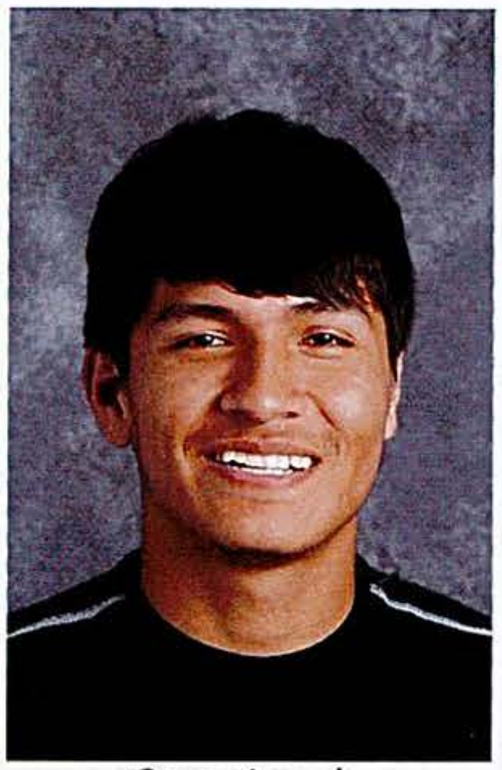

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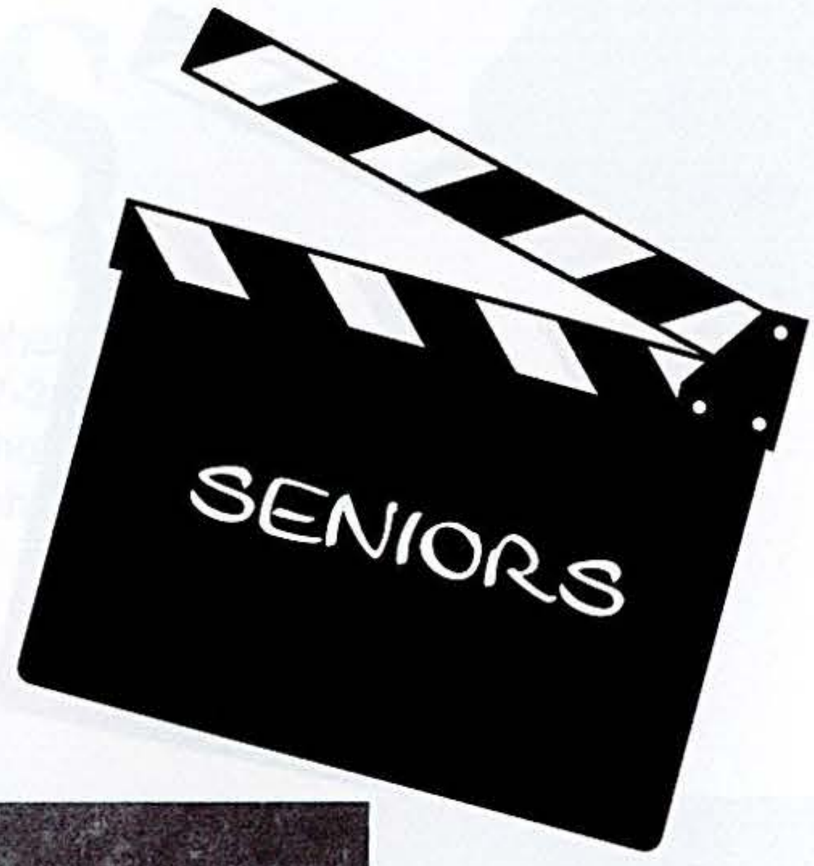

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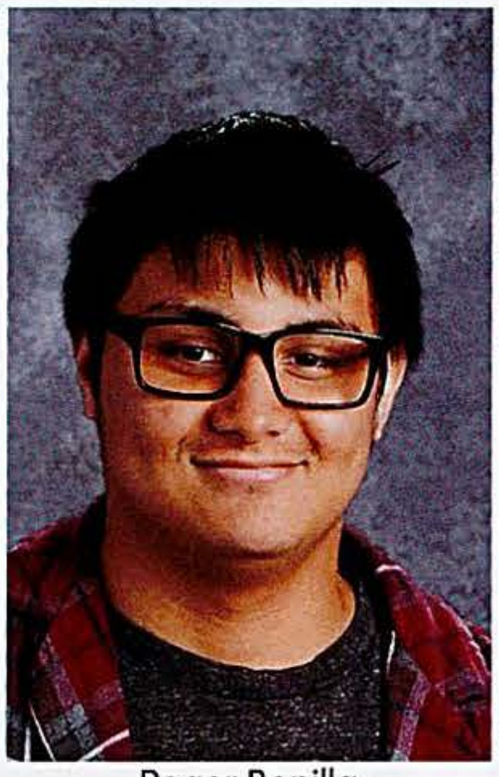

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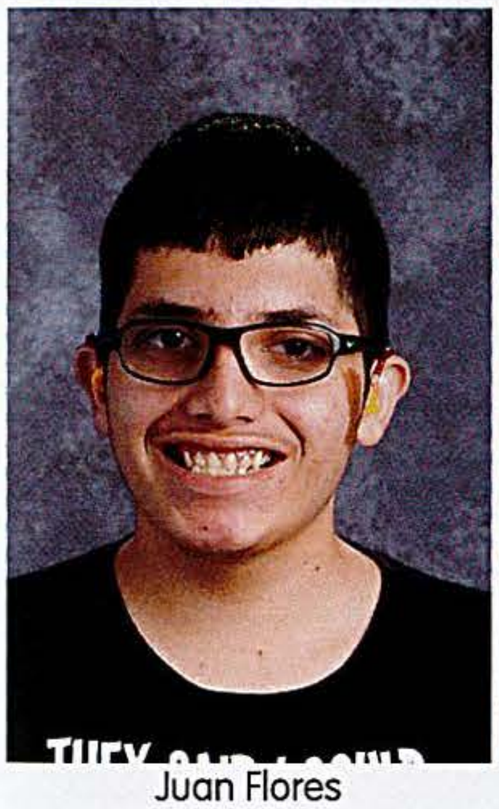

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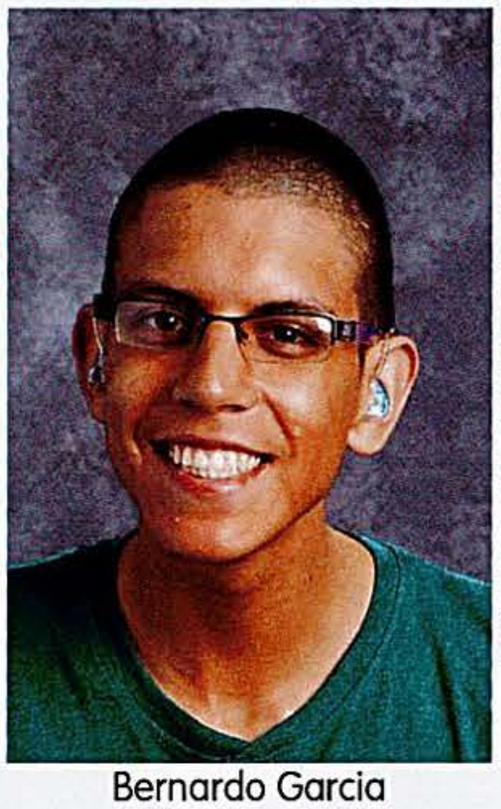

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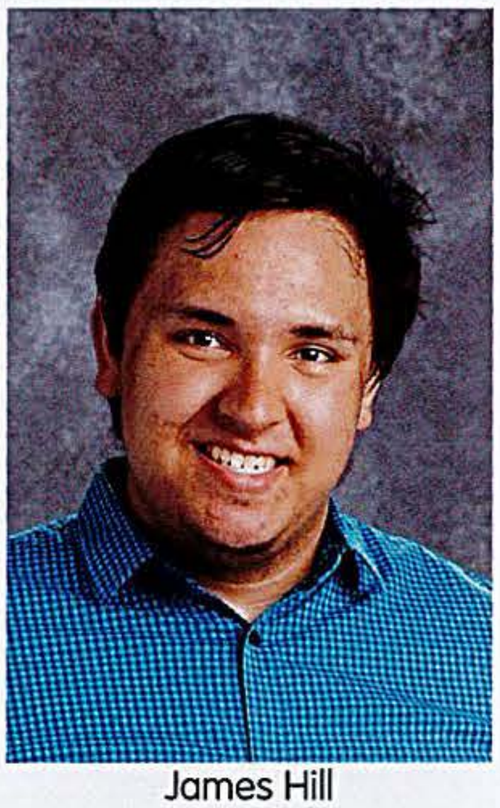

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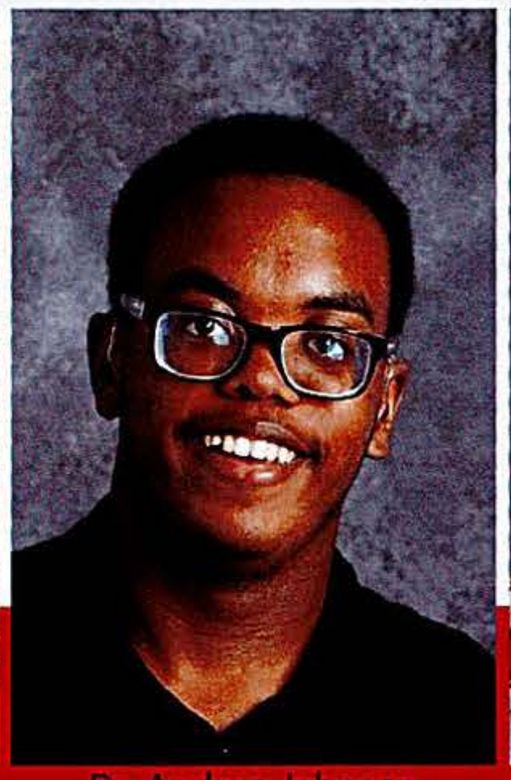

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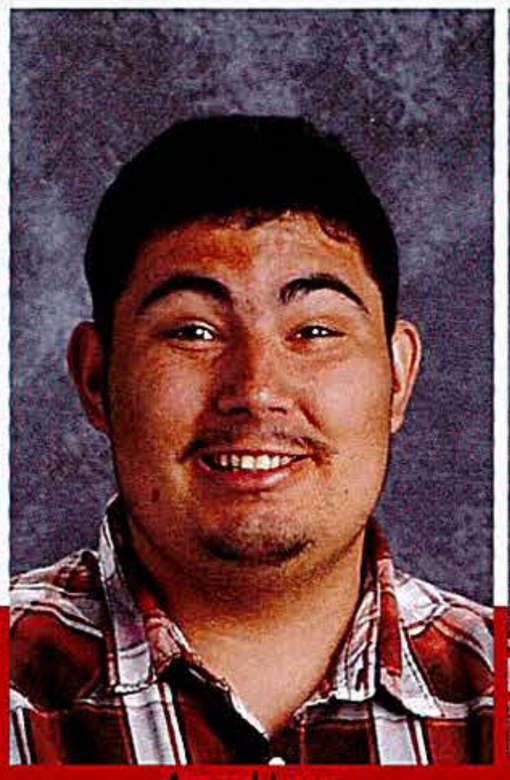

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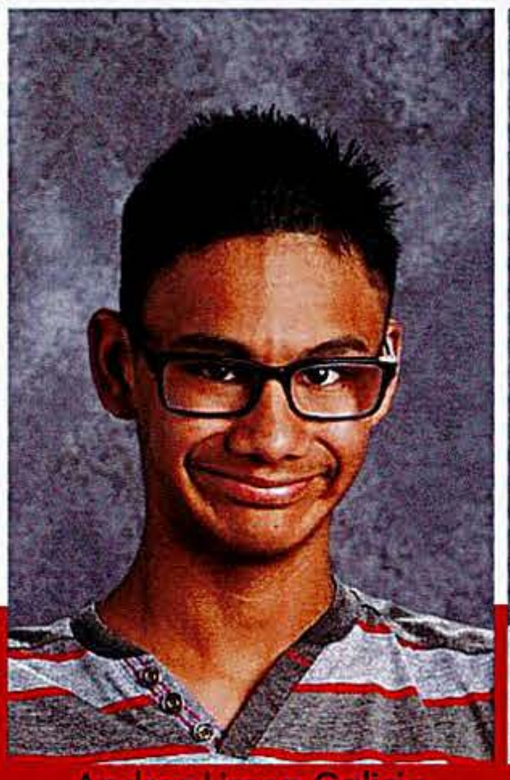

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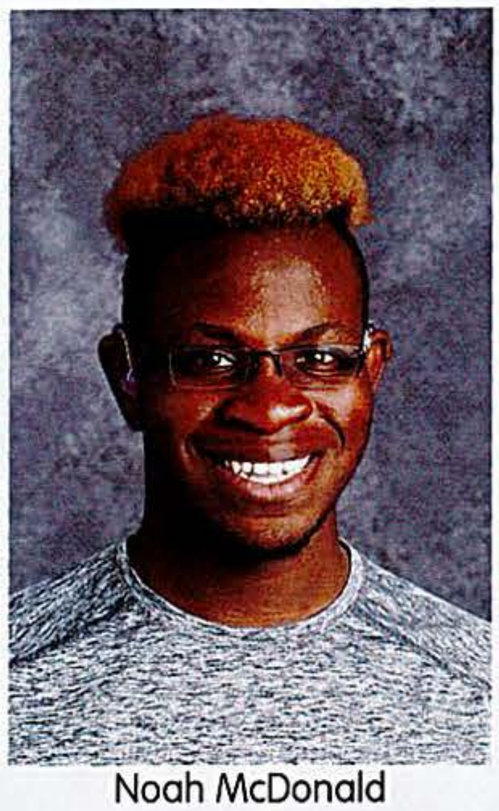
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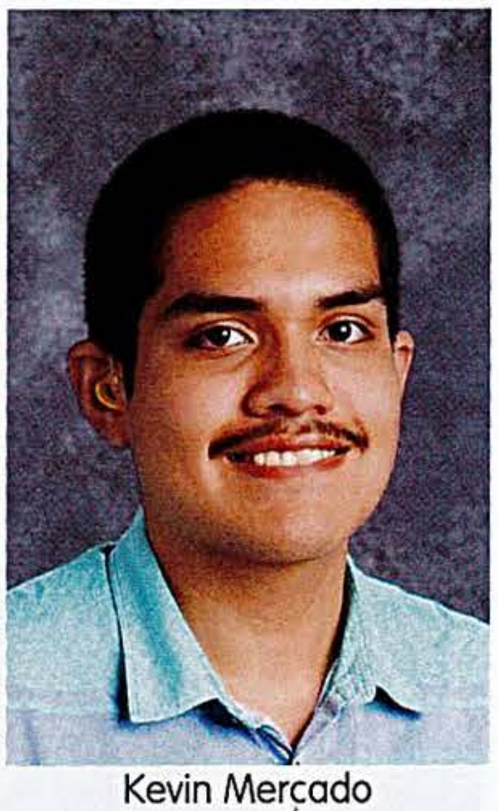
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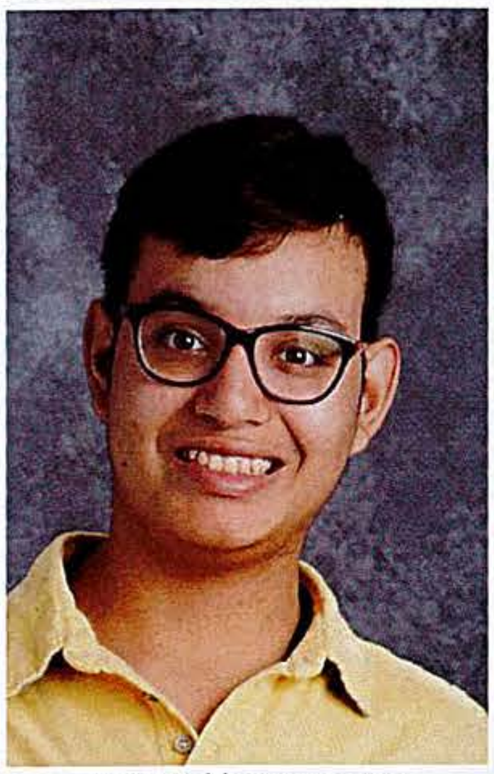
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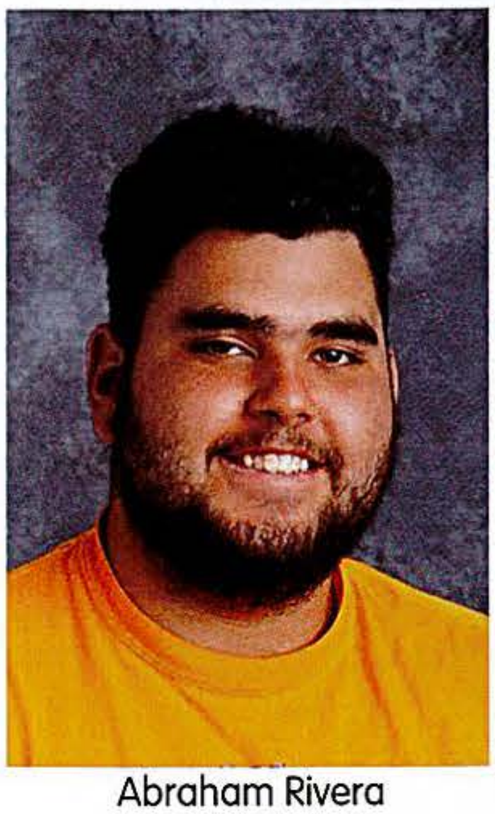
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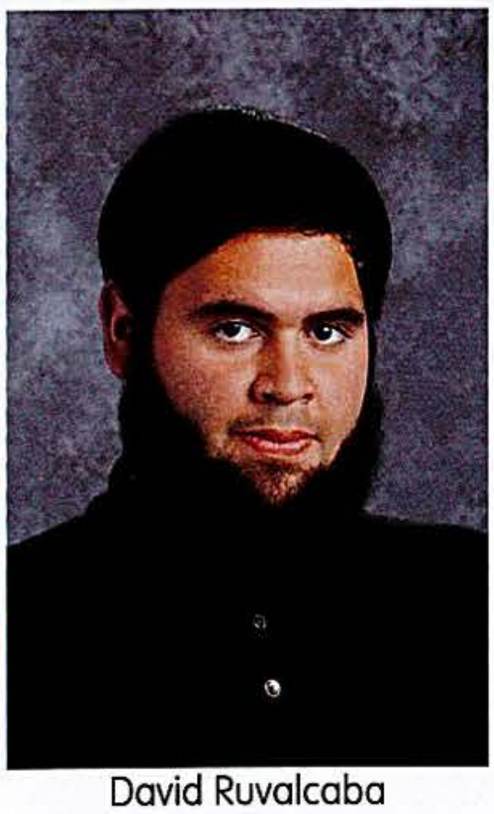
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First of all, I want to congratulate all student-athletes for their participation, commitment, and passion with PDSD Athletics for the 2017-2018 school year! We have seen ups and downs throughout the season but what stands out is your ROADRUNNER PRIDE! Please continue doing your best, enhancing your skills!

J.J. Bailey
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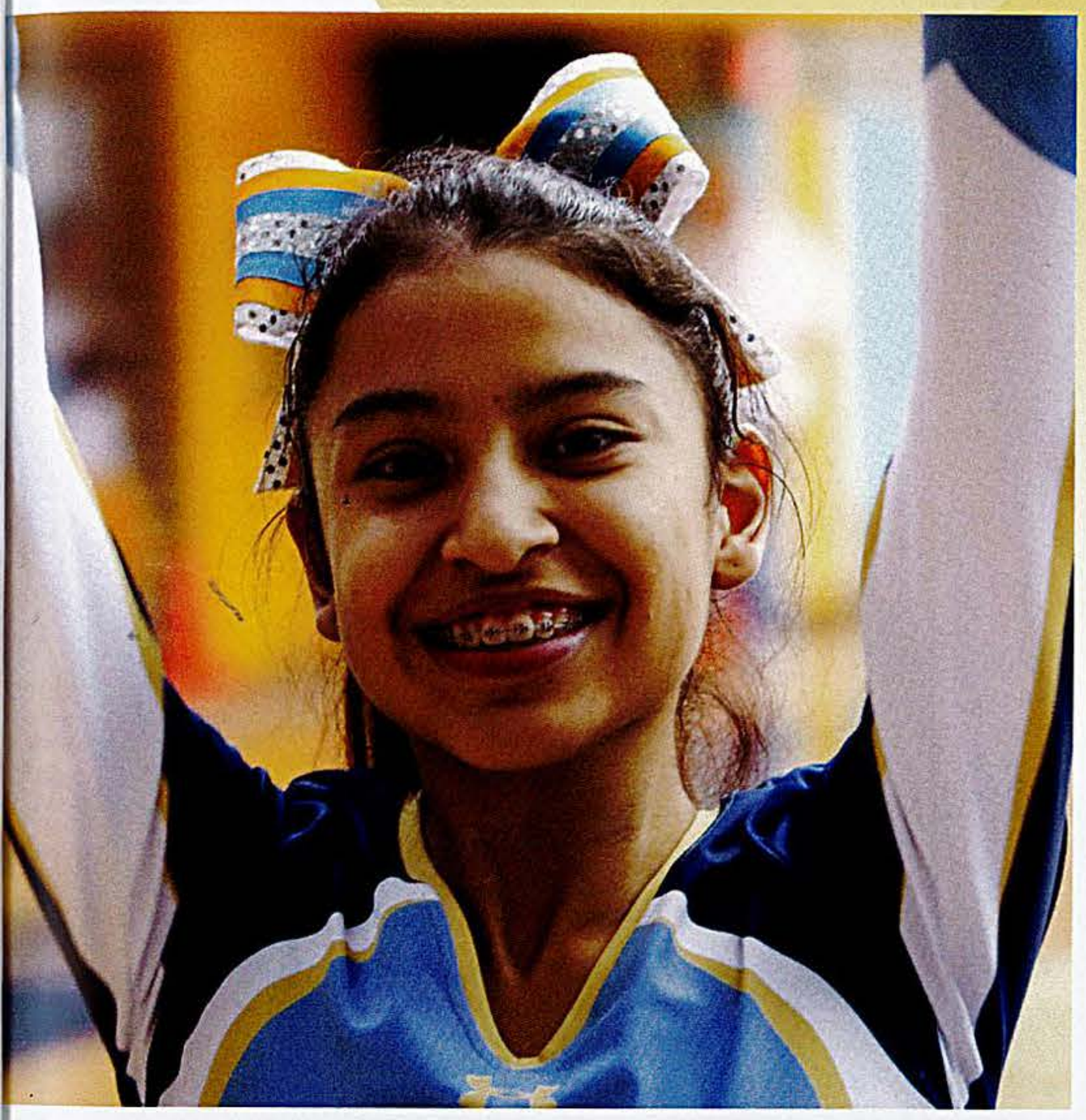

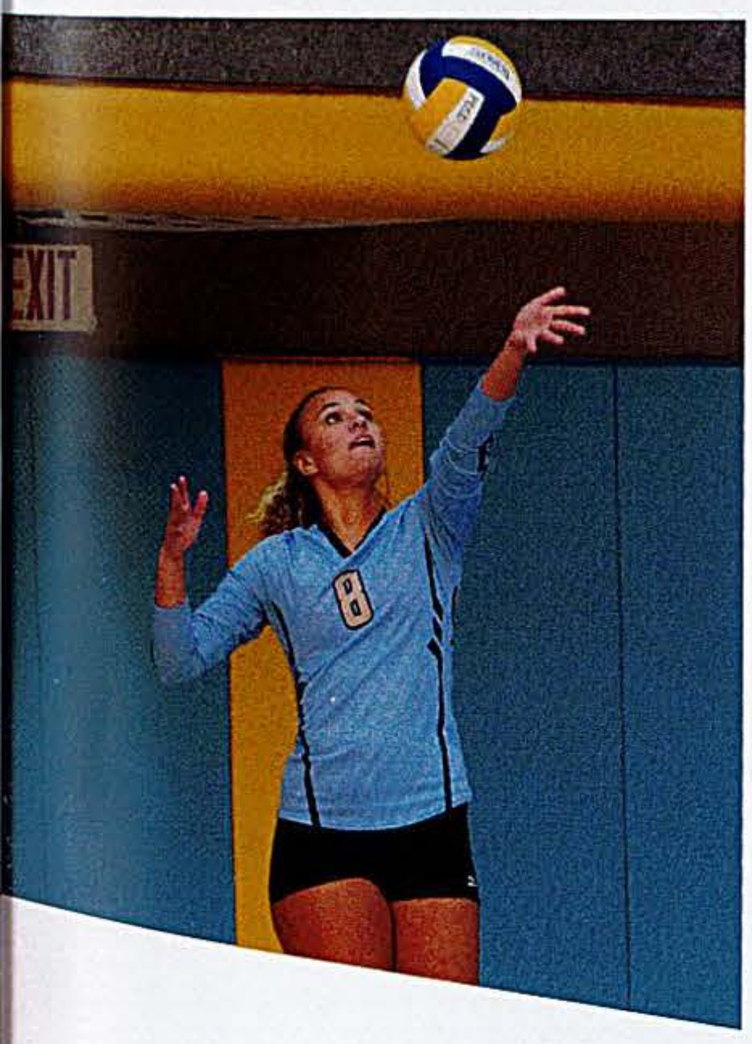

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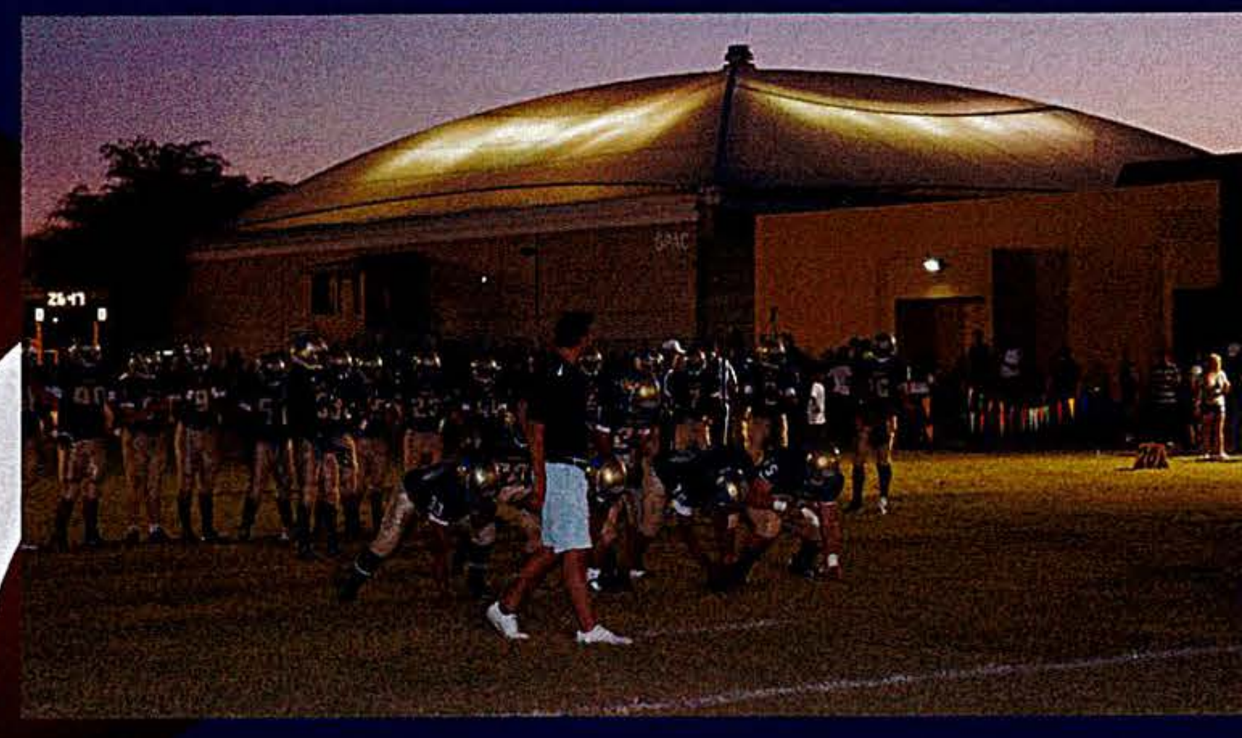

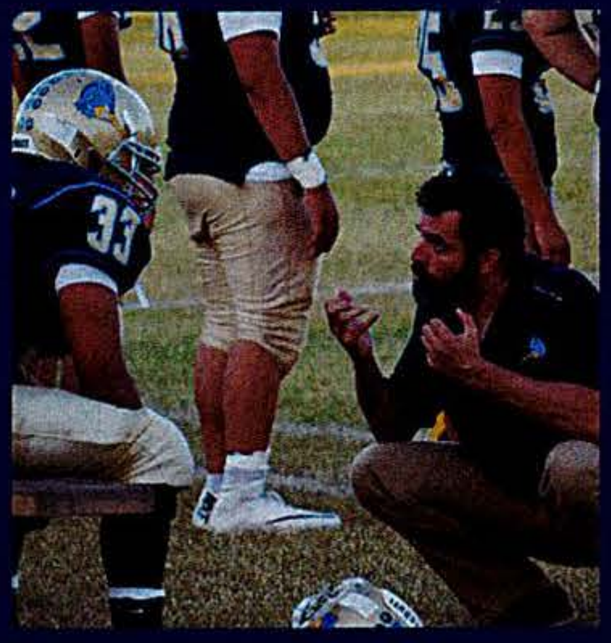

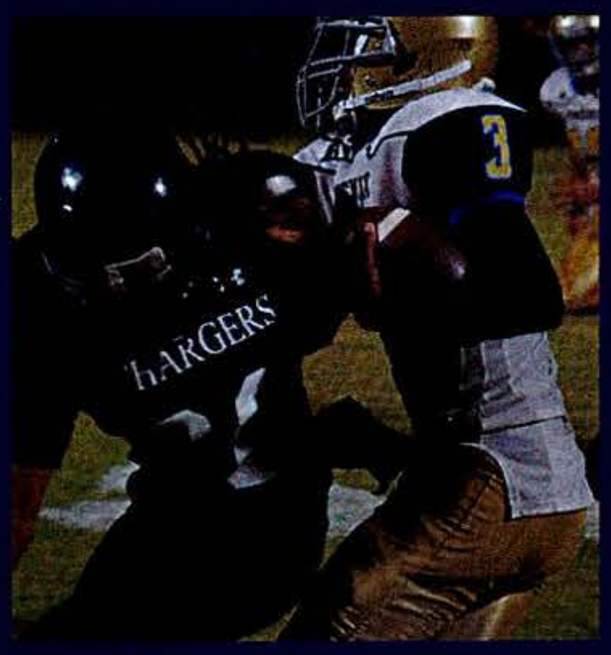

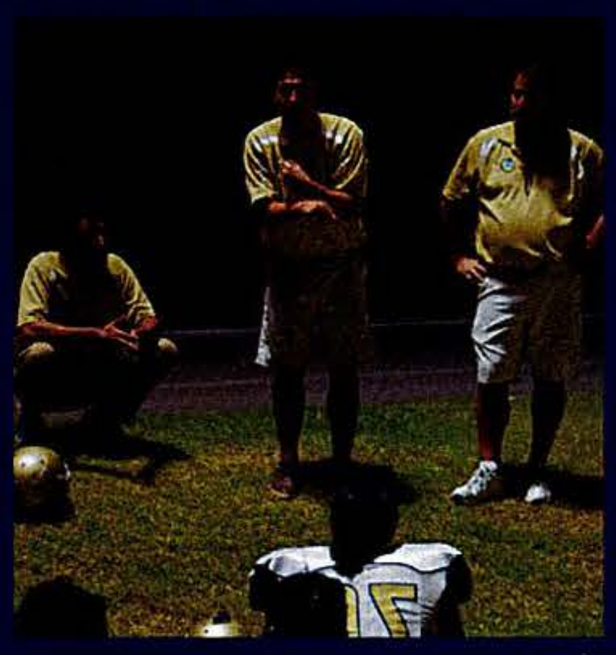

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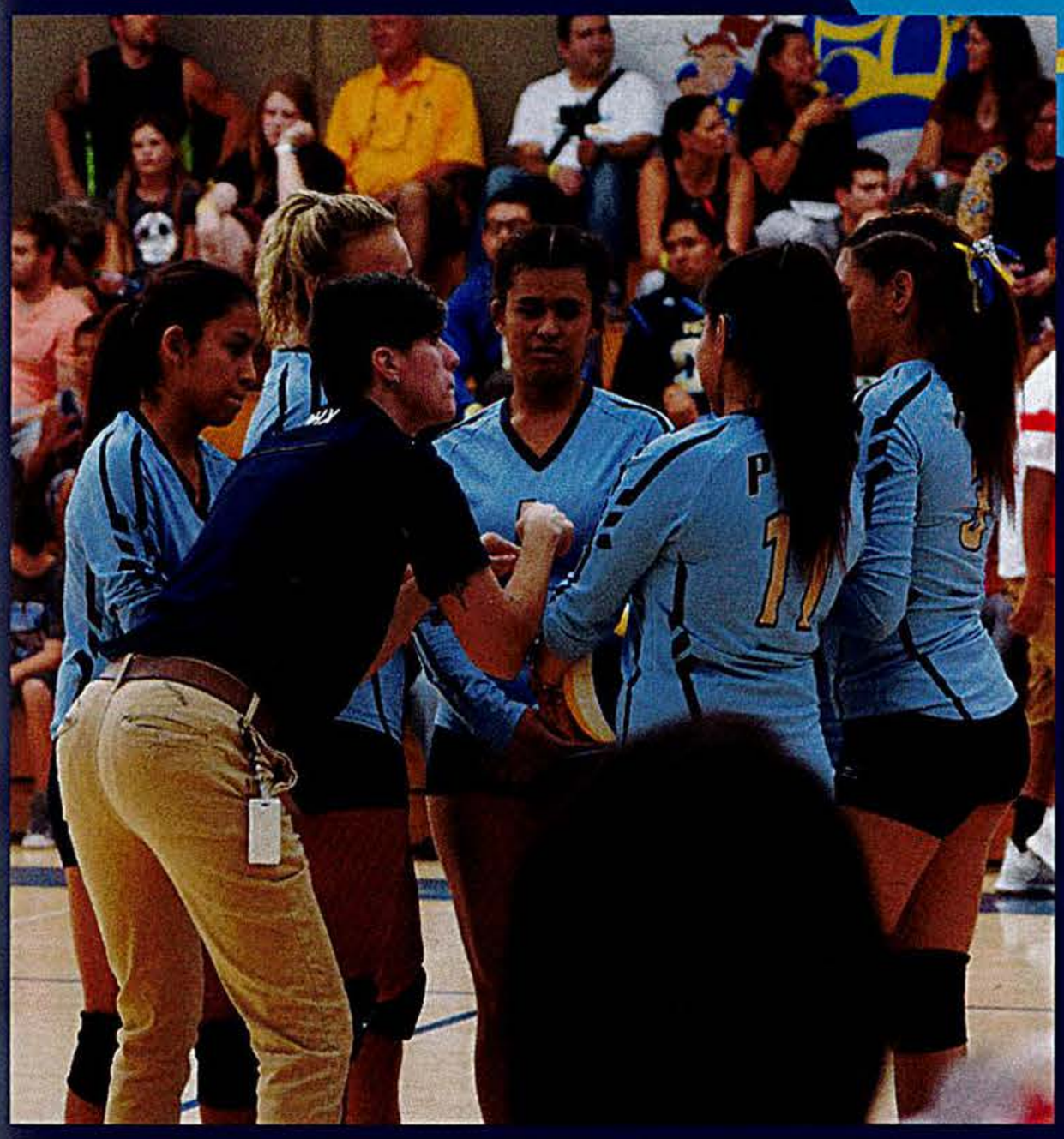
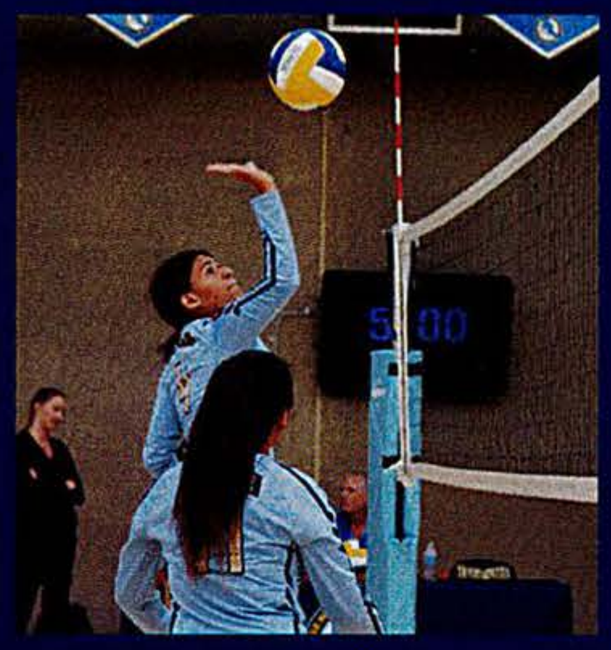
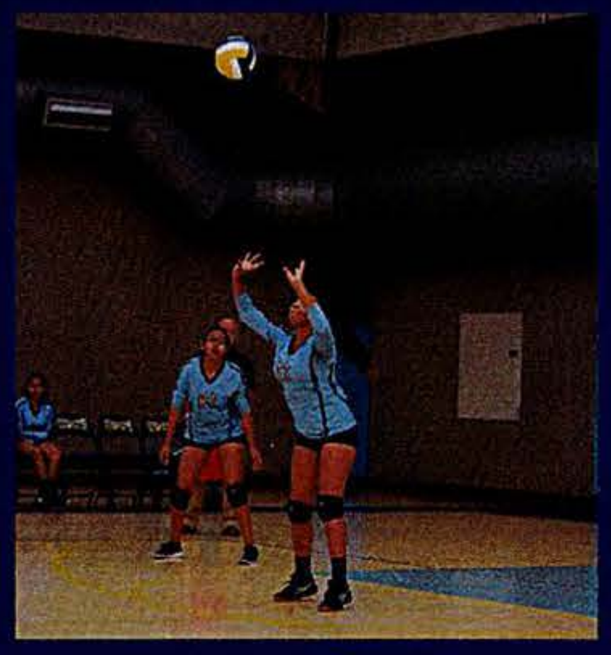
High School Volleyball







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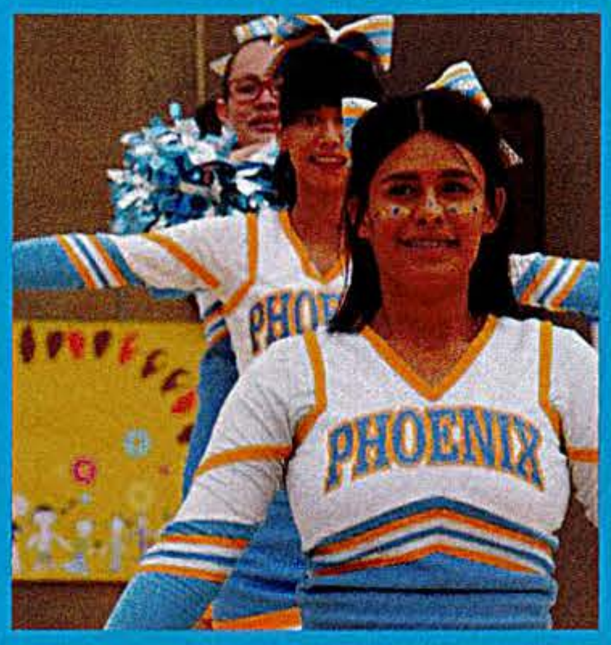
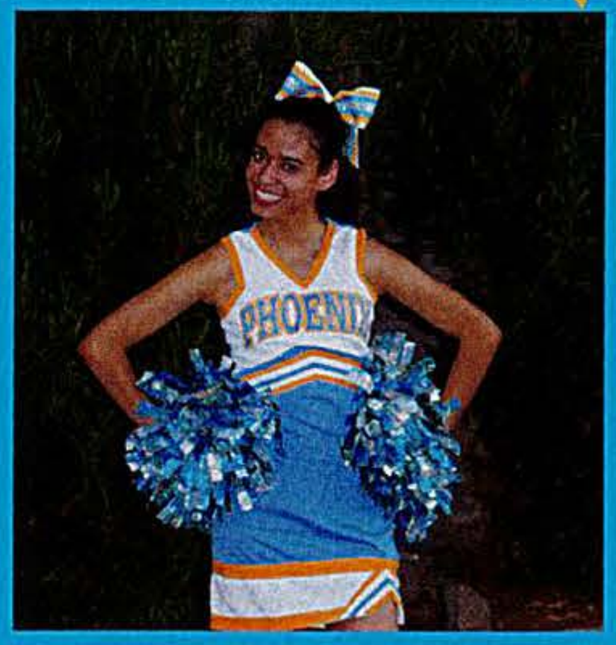
High School Fall Cheerleading





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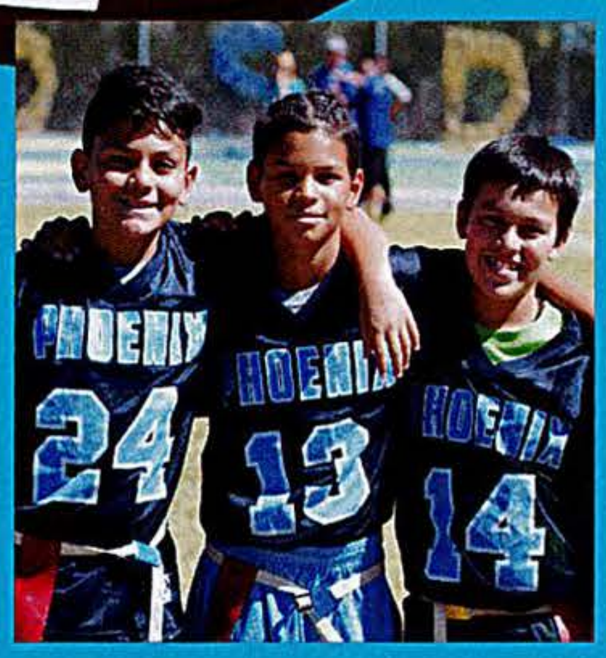
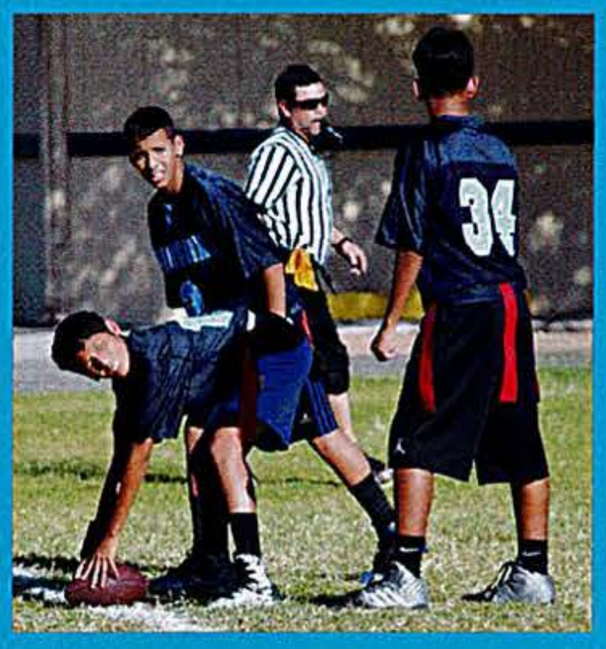
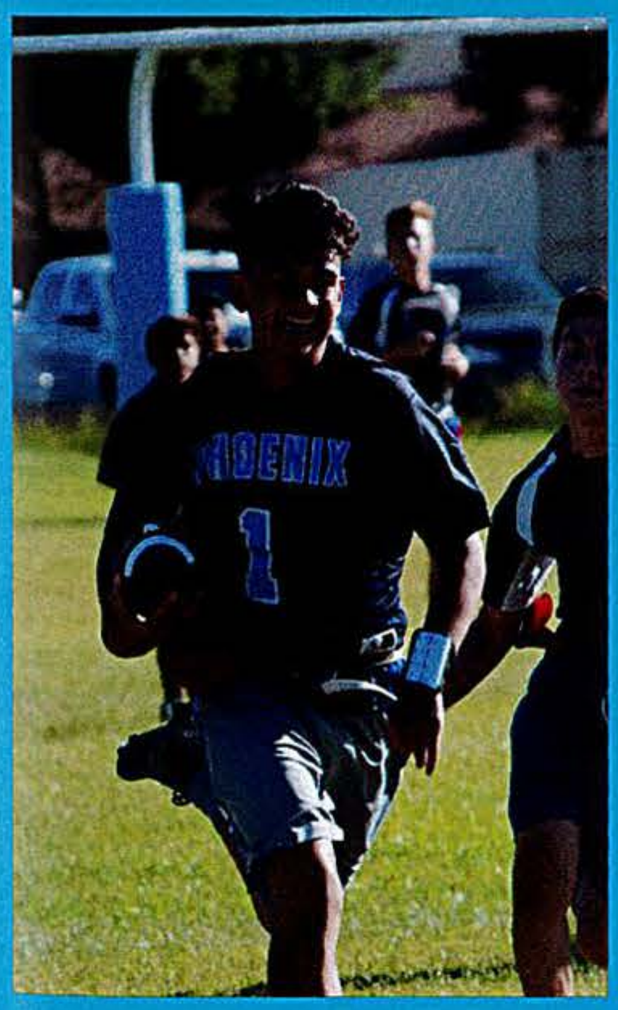
Middle School Flag Football







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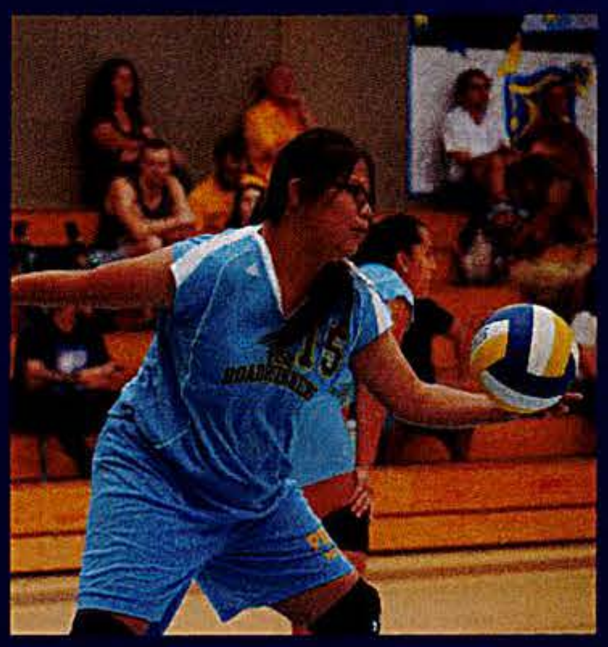
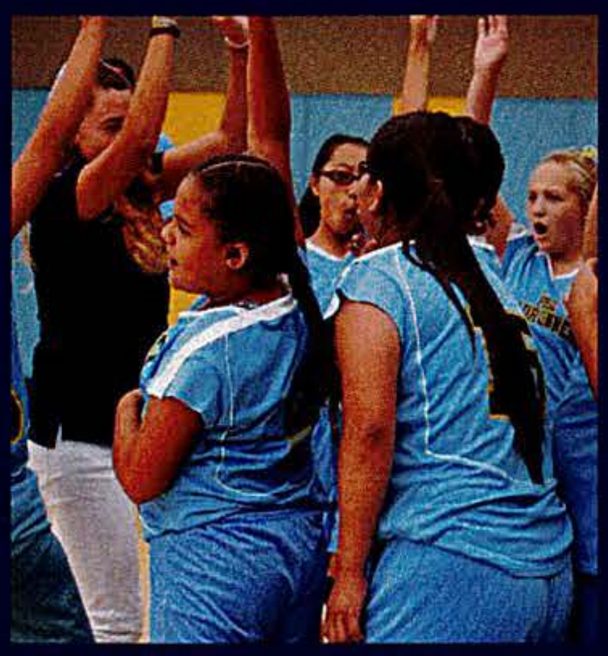
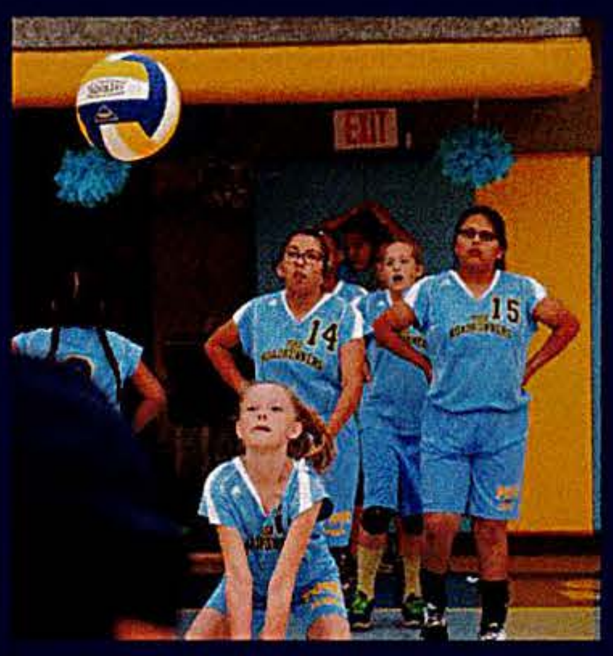
7/8th Middle School Volleyball







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Coach: Jill Hansen

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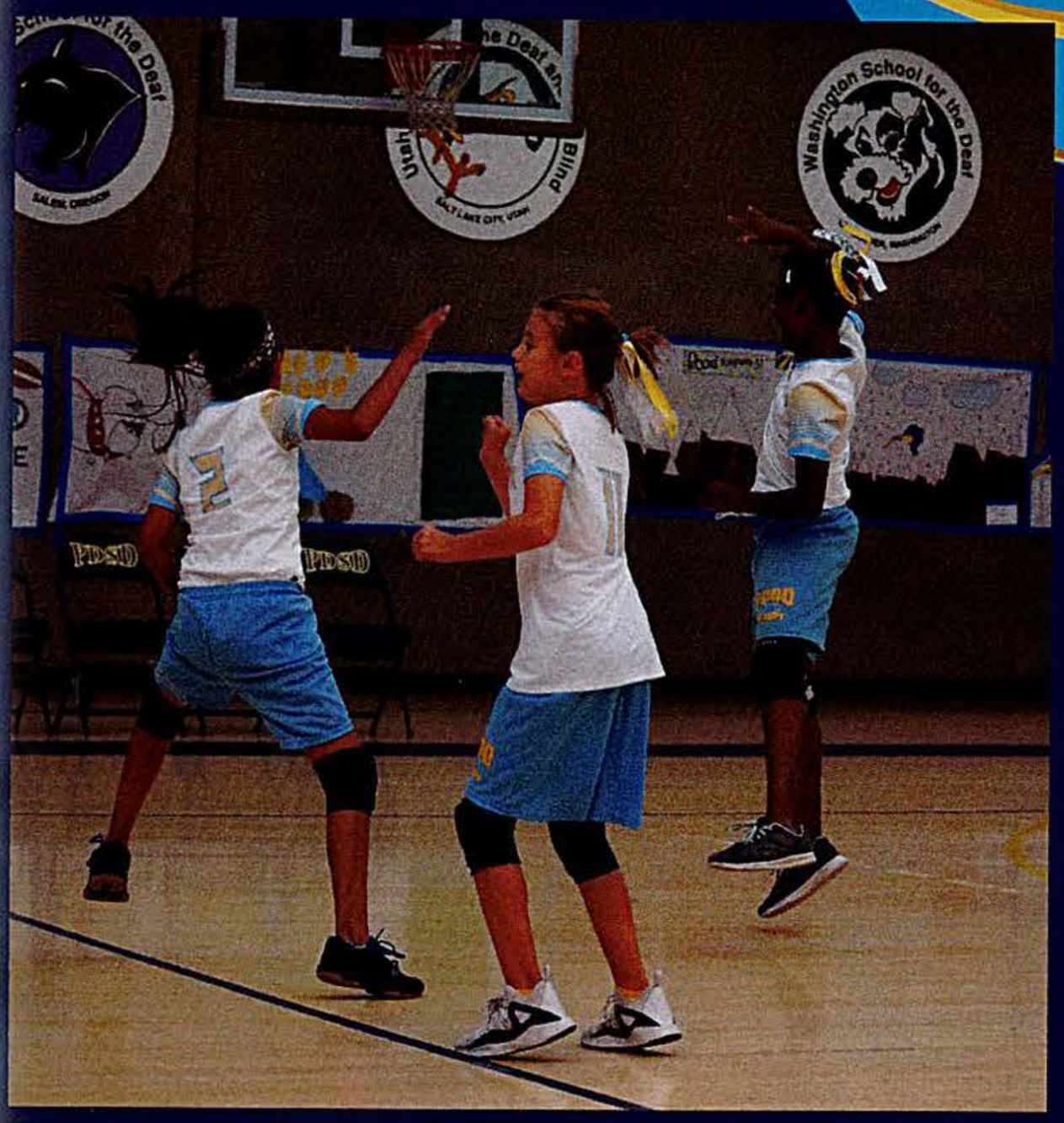
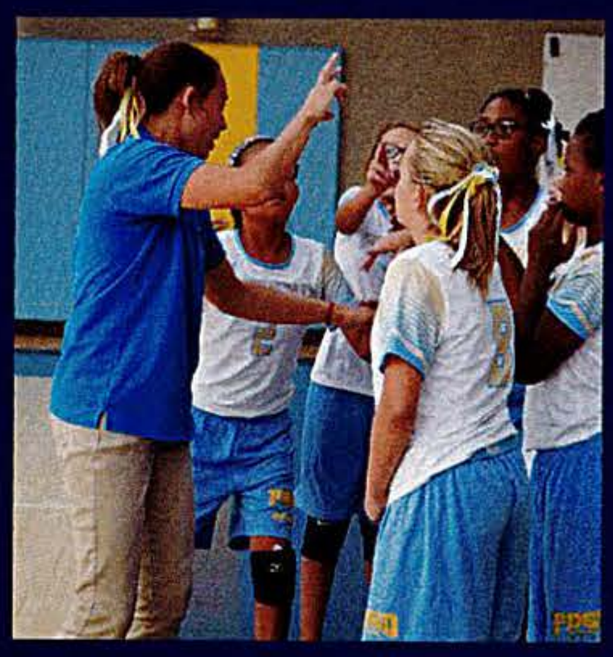
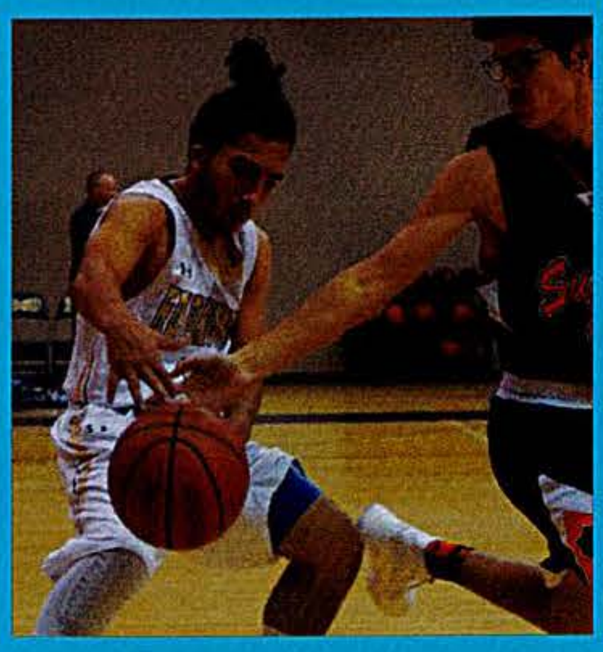
Middle School Volleyball

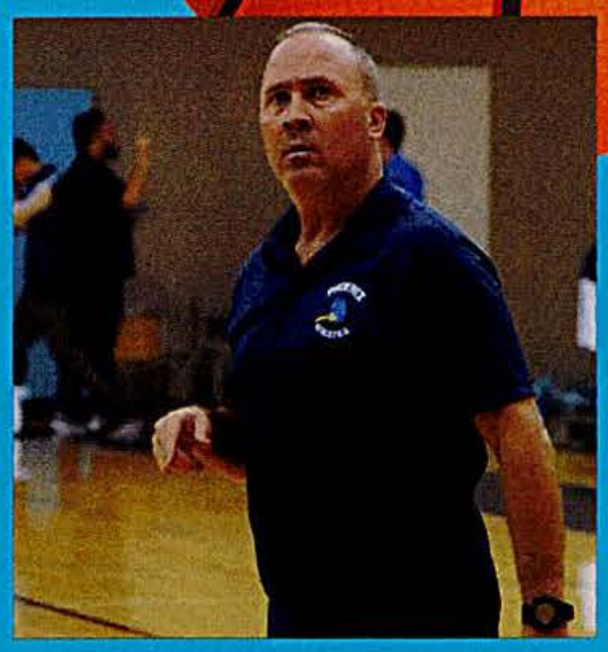


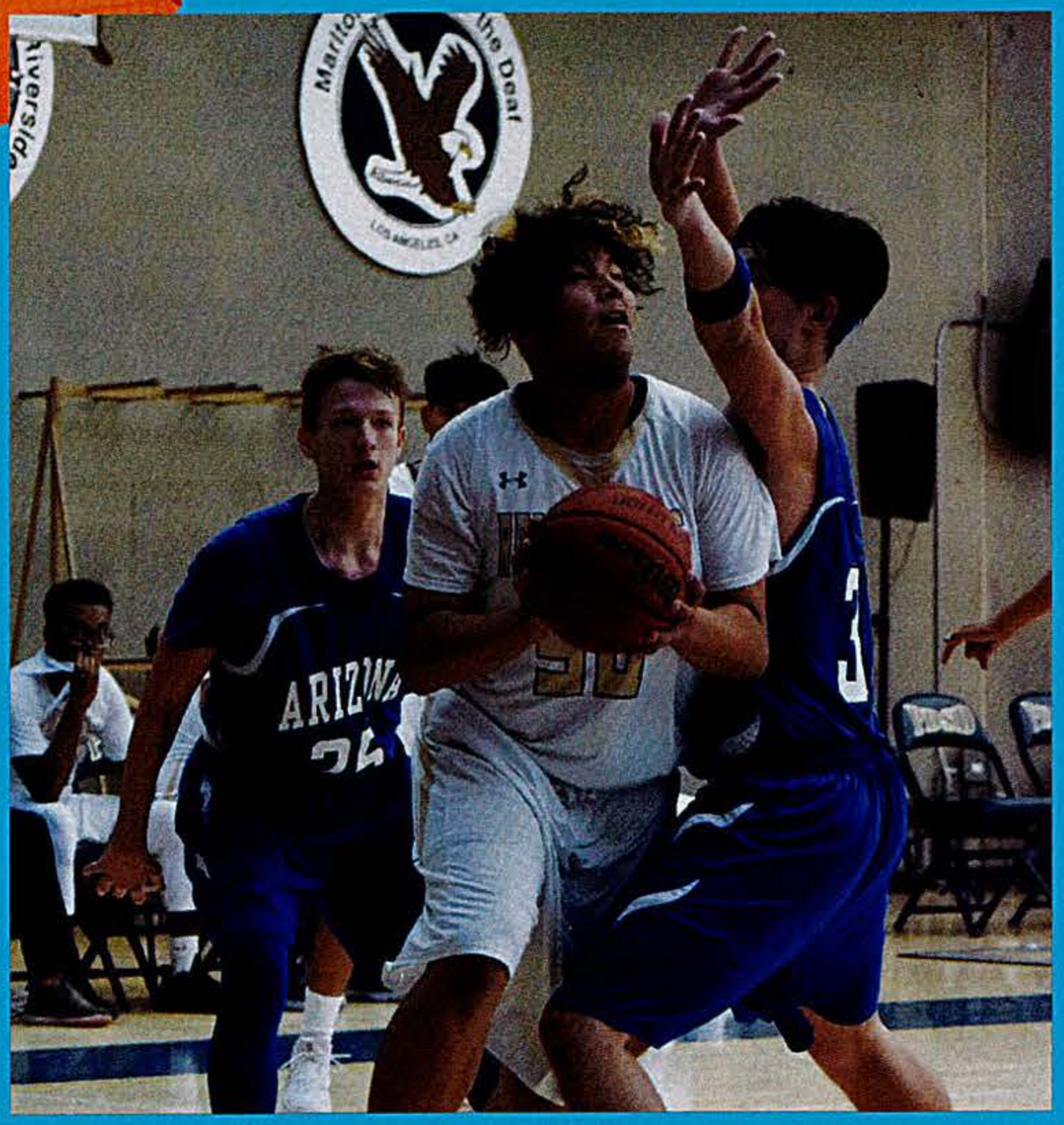


Left to Right: Xendrine Rivera-Padilla, Pearl Williams, Rue Abrams-Ga.
Coach: Sarah Wilkins
Not Pictured: Monique Pete, Riley Main, Alyssa Clark

High School Boys Basketball







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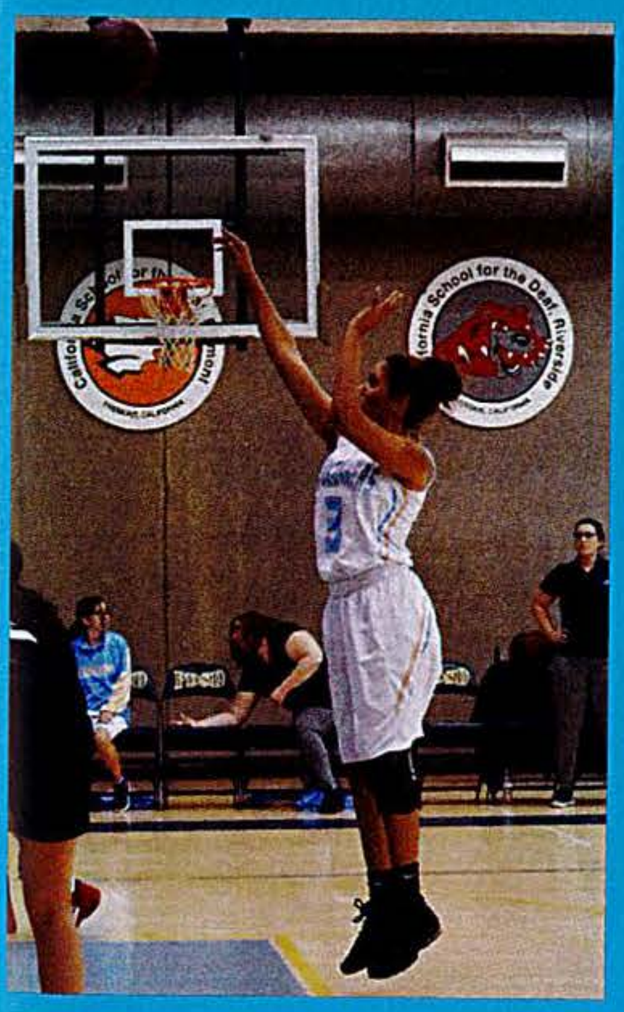
High School Girls Basketball



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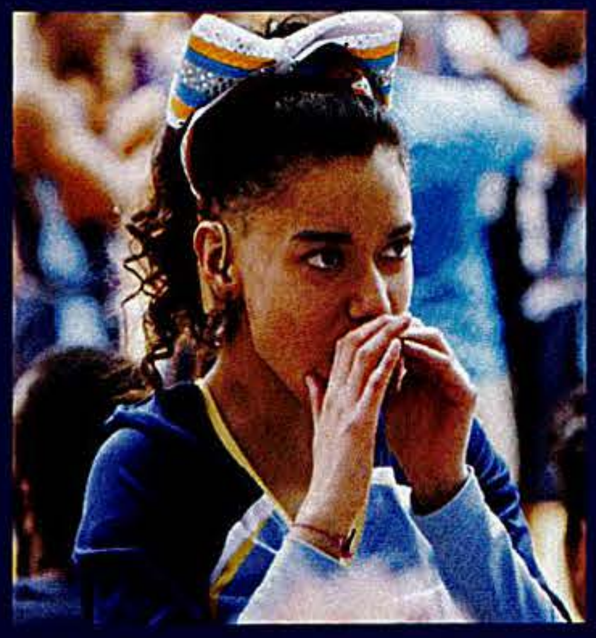
High School Winter Cheerleading



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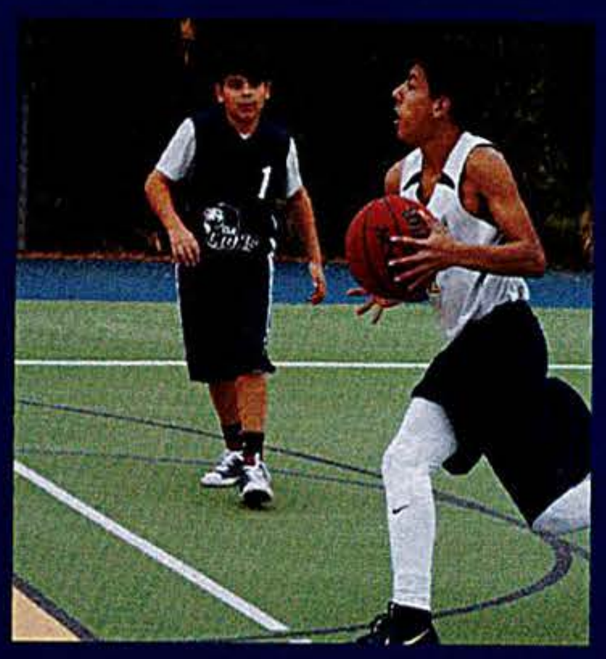
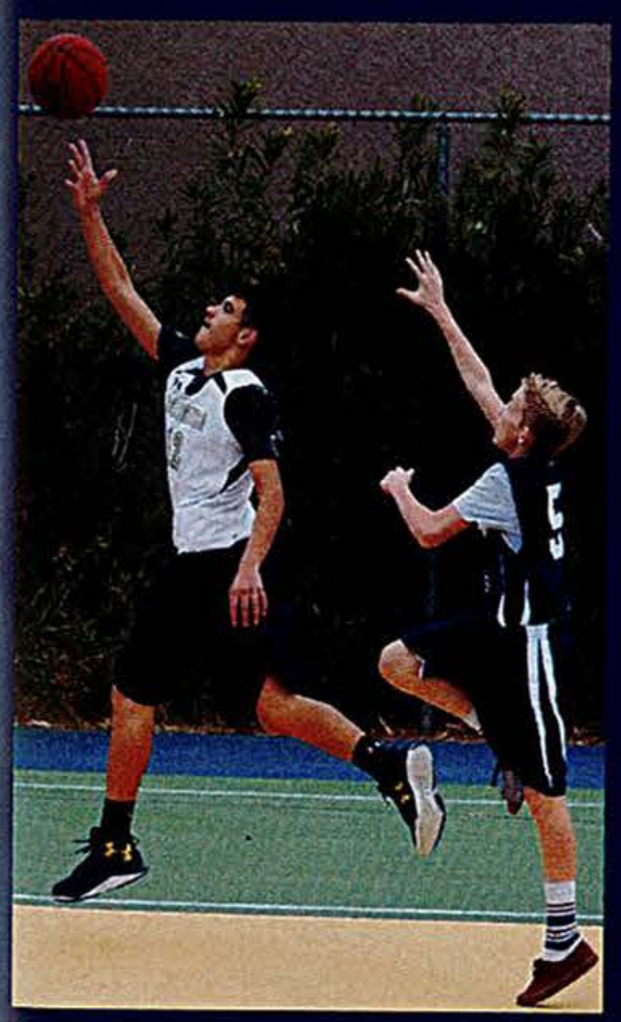
Coaches: Masa Nakama and Julie Fisher

Middle School Boys Basketball





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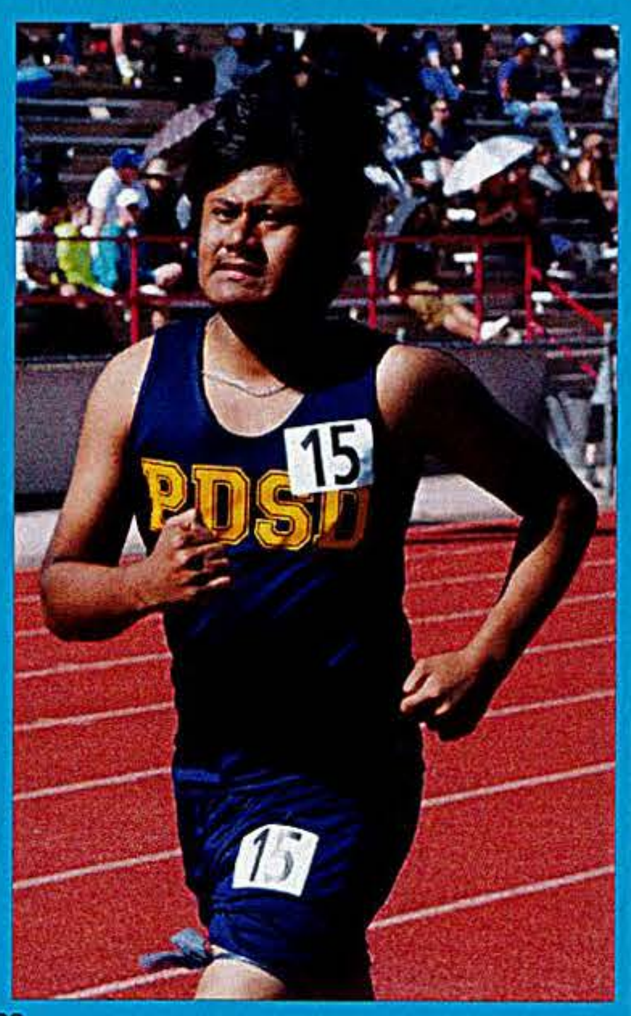
High School Track



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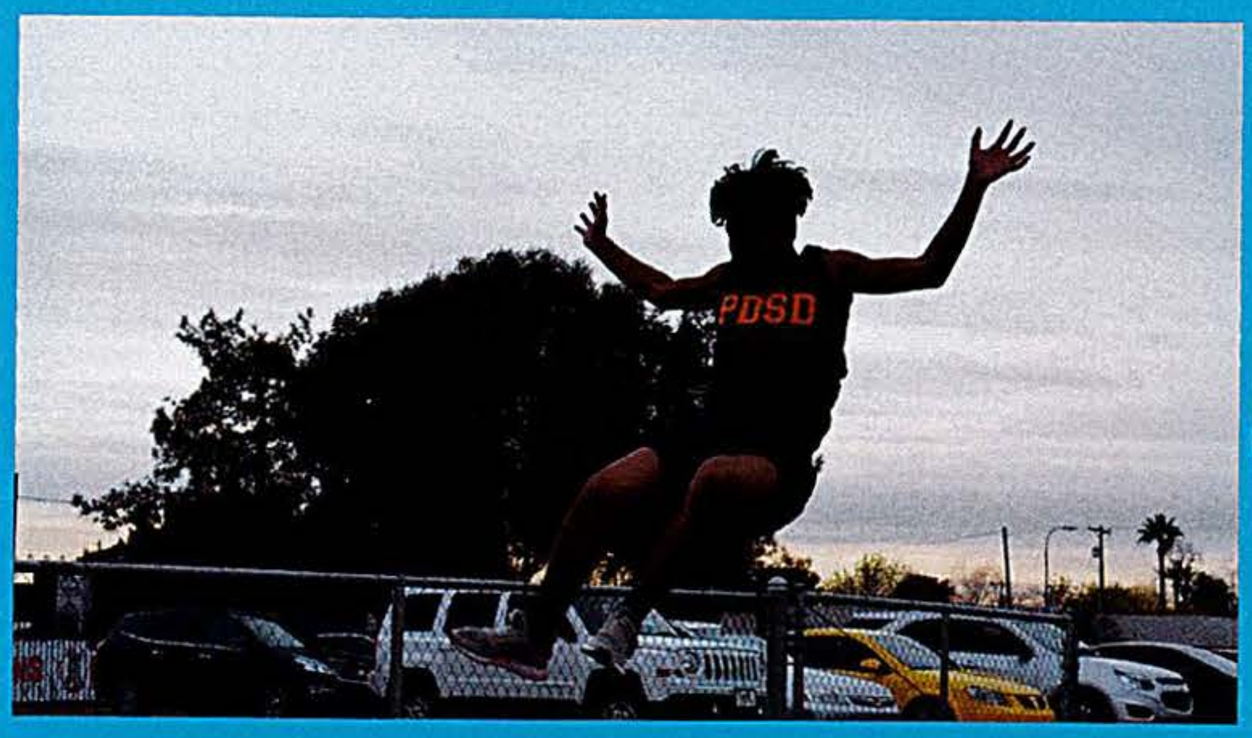

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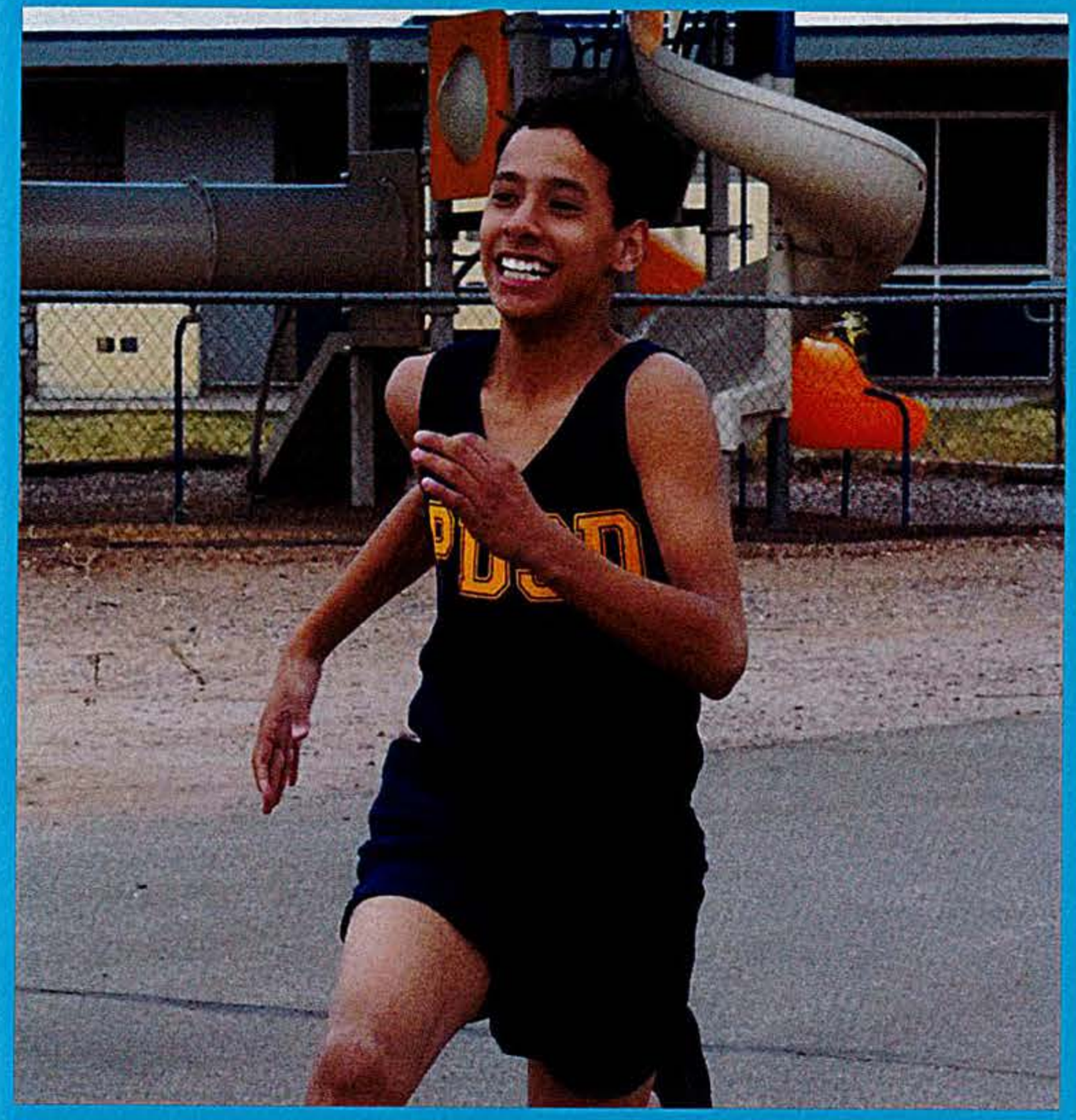

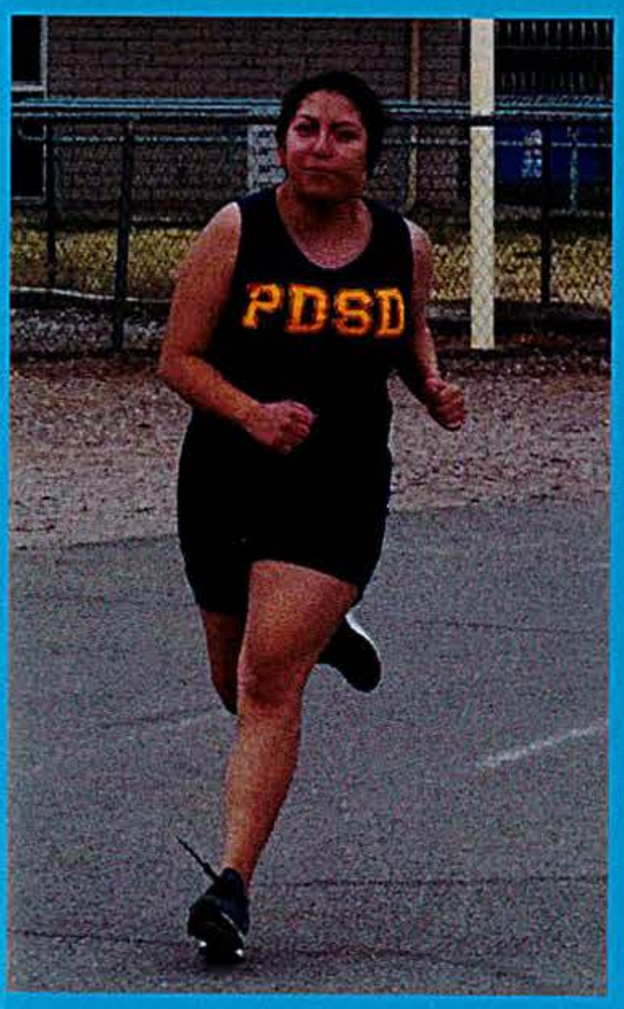

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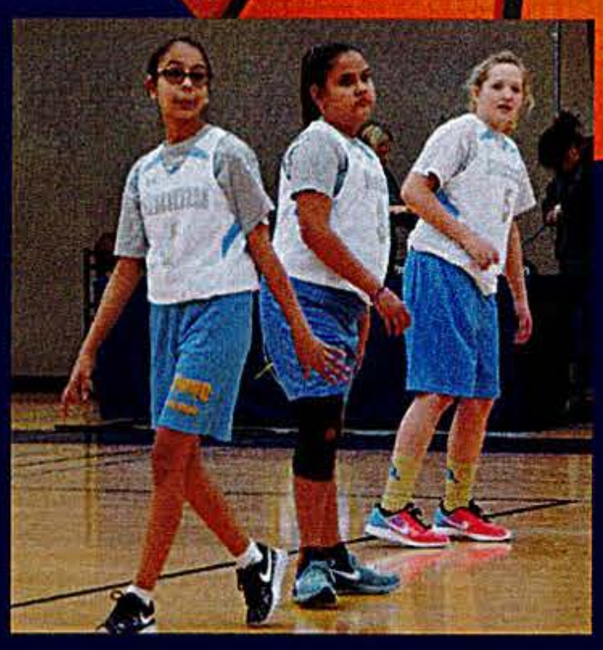
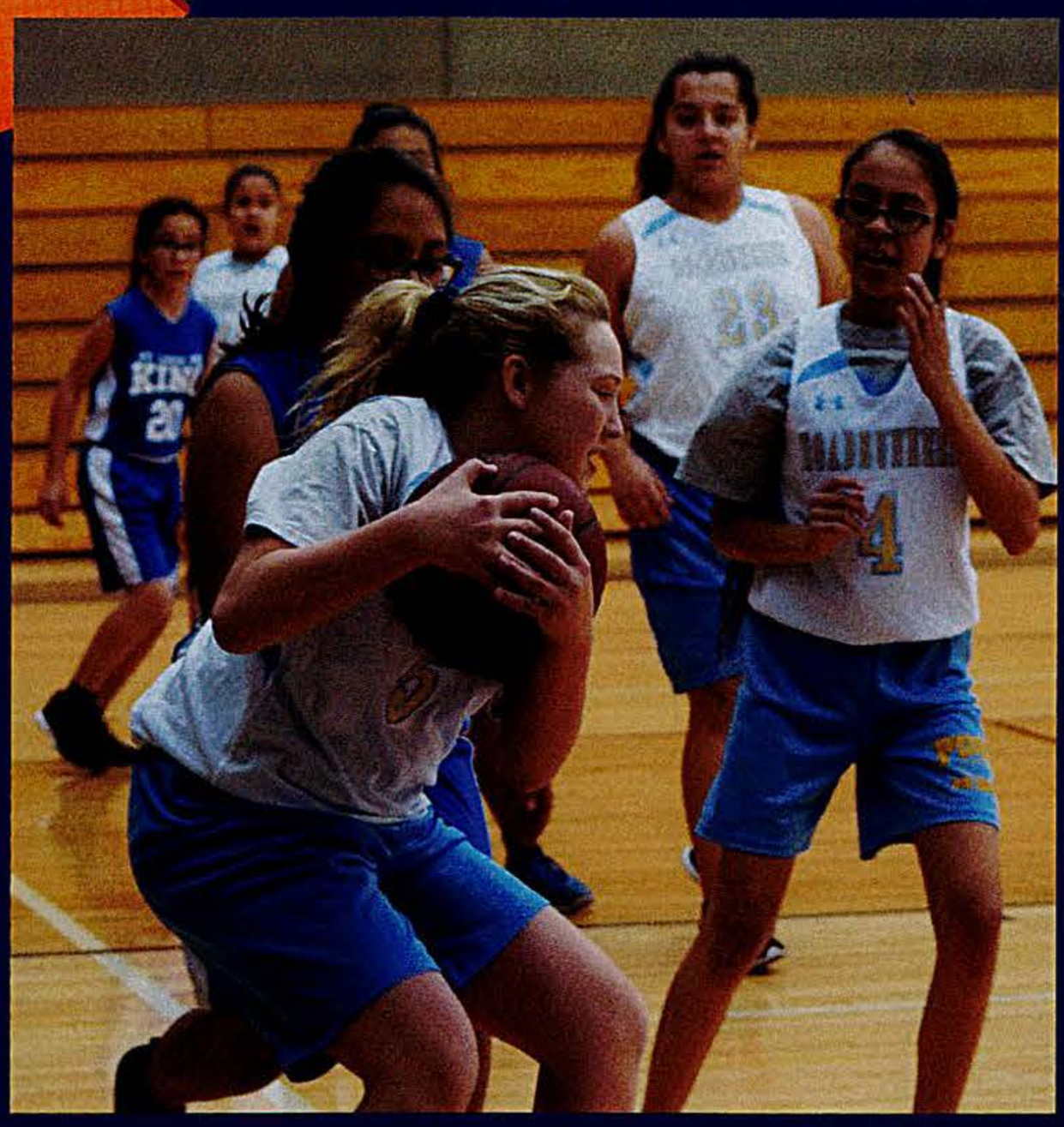
7/8th Girls Middle School Basketball





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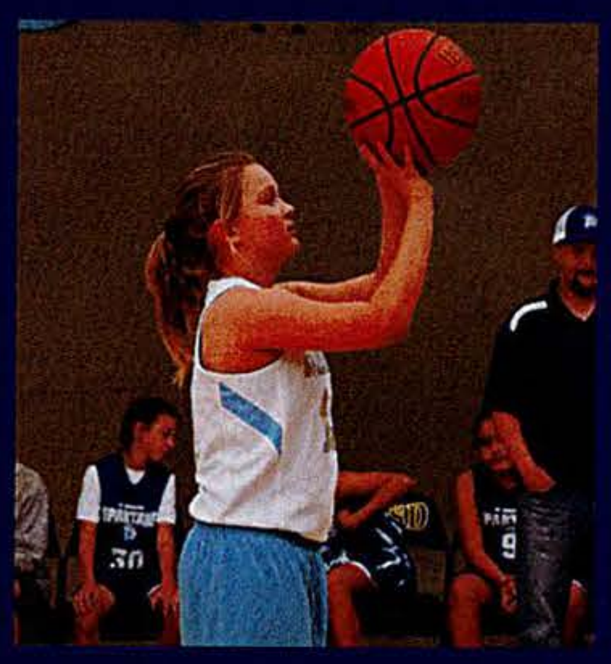
5/6th Girls Middle School Basketball



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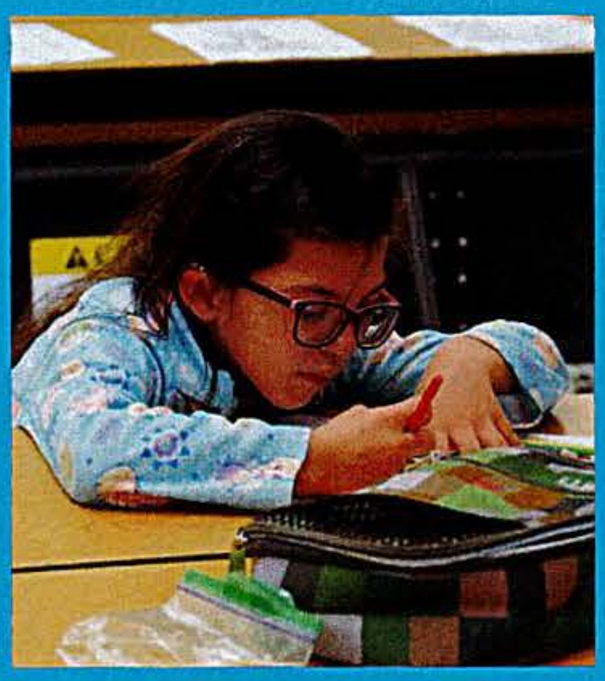
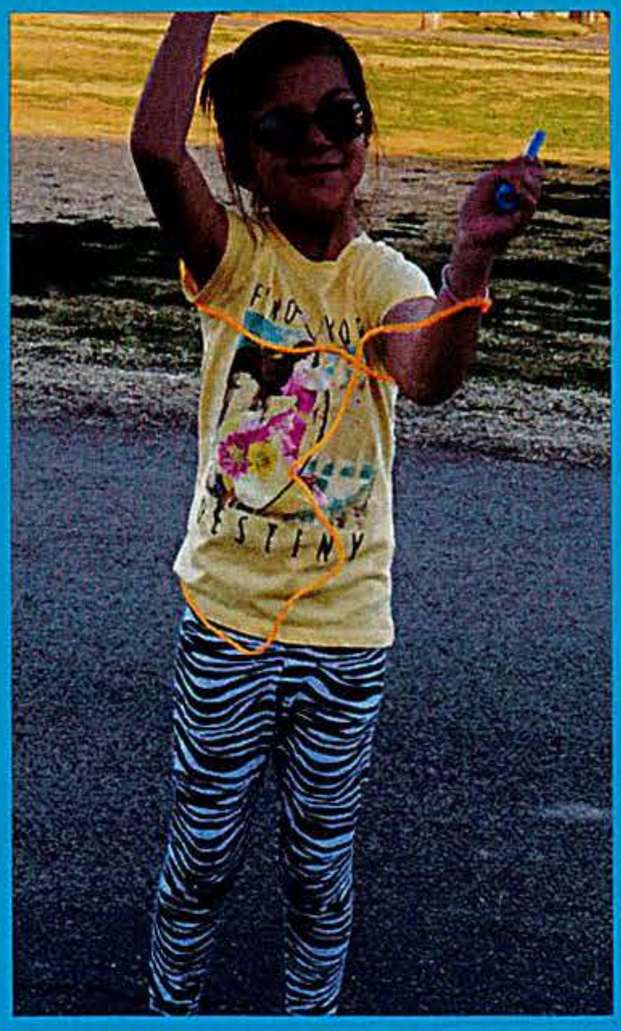
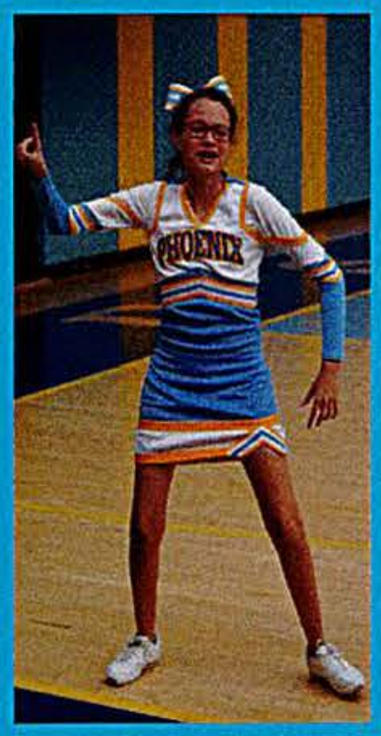
RASP

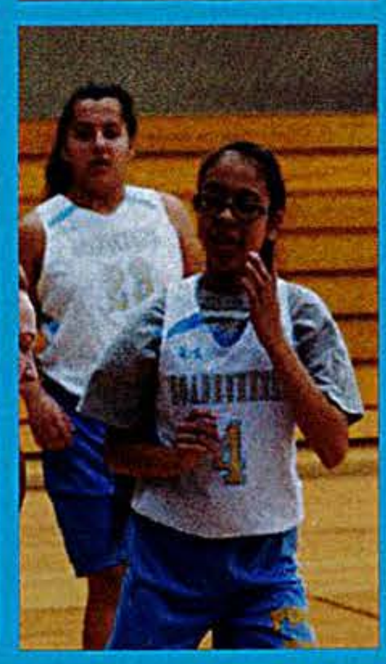
Roadrunner After School Program





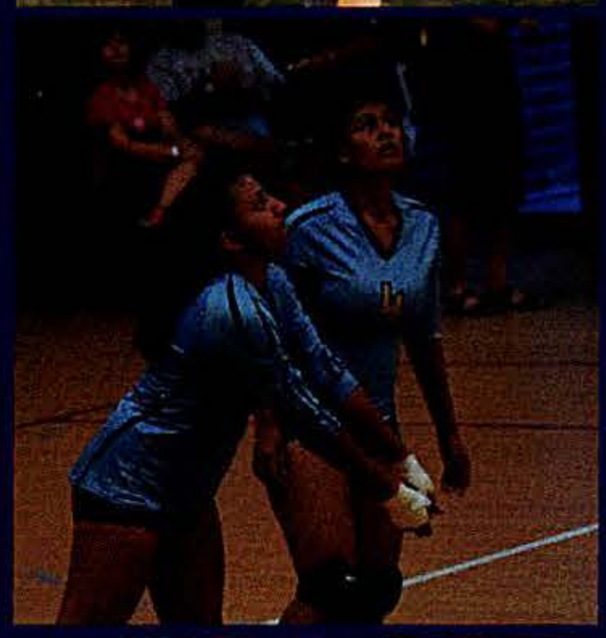
Shining Moments in Sports

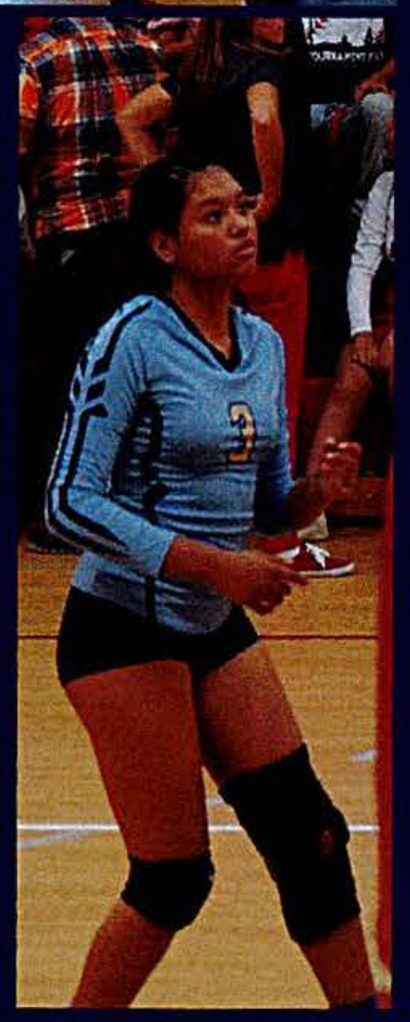




Washington School for the Deaf

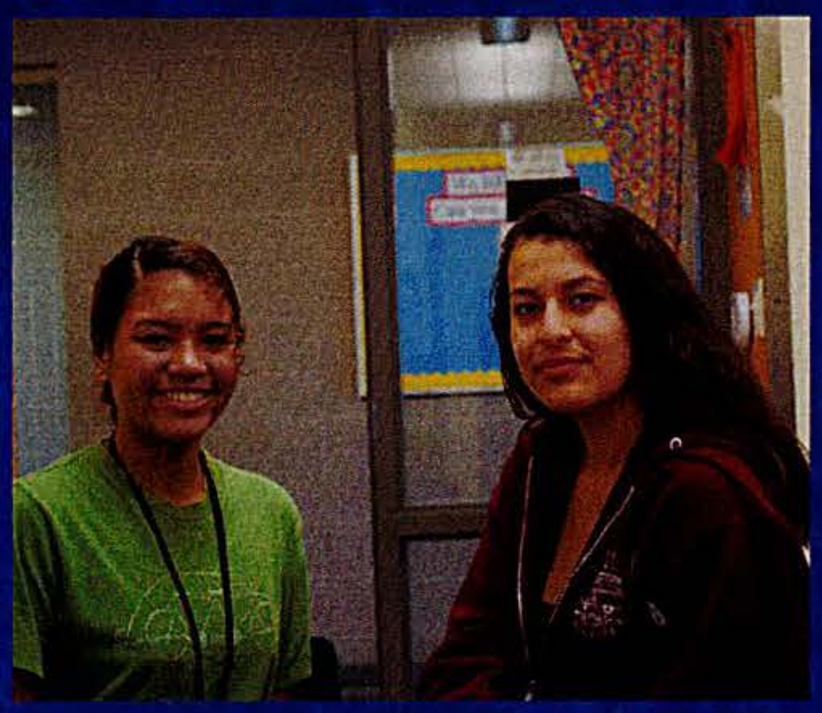
California School for the Deaf, Riverside





Roadrunner Classic

Roadrunner Council



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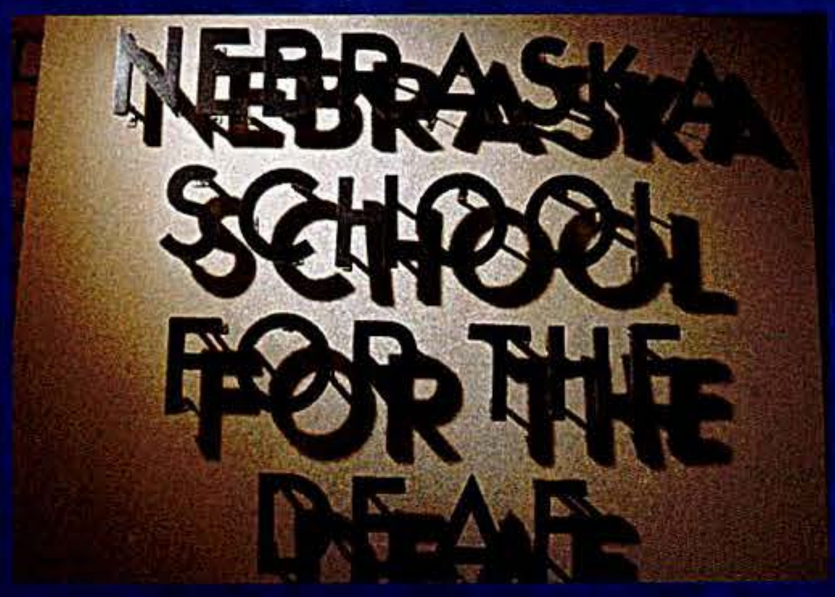

MS Student Council

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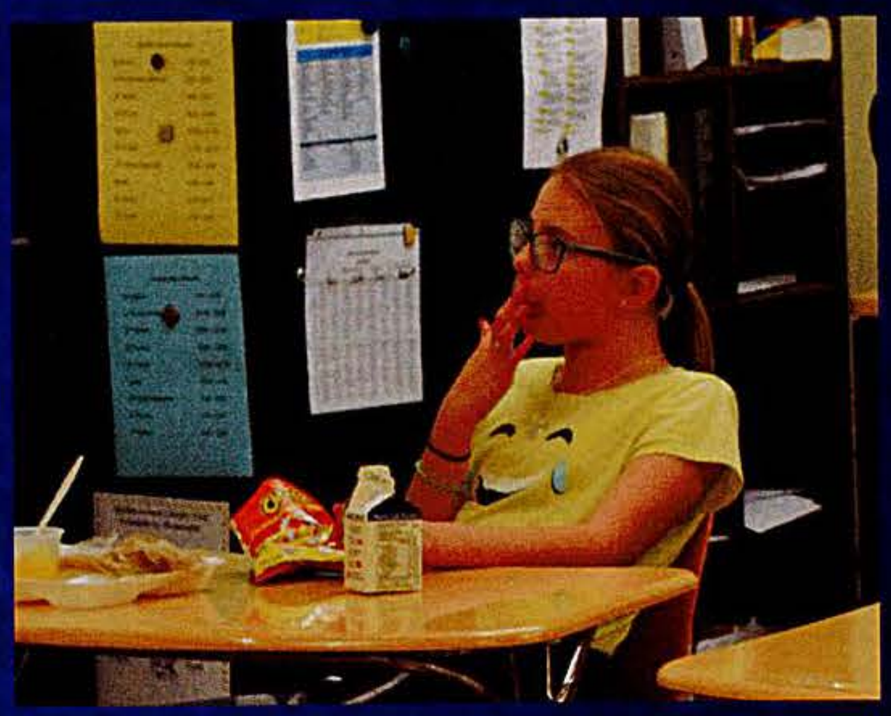
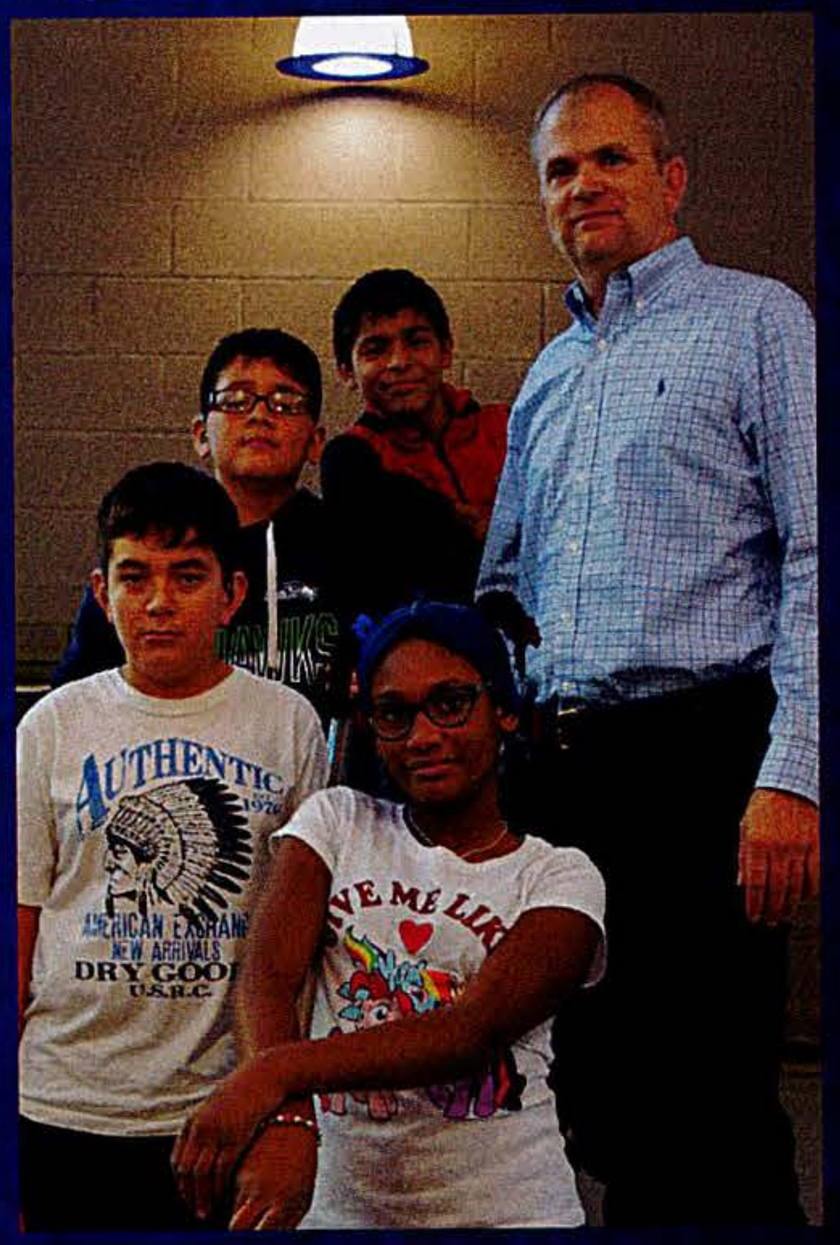


Middle School Math Club



Clockwise: Jeramiah Whitehead, Clayton Bowers (Coach), Pearl Williams, Ian Hernandez, Miguel Hernandez

Academic Bowl

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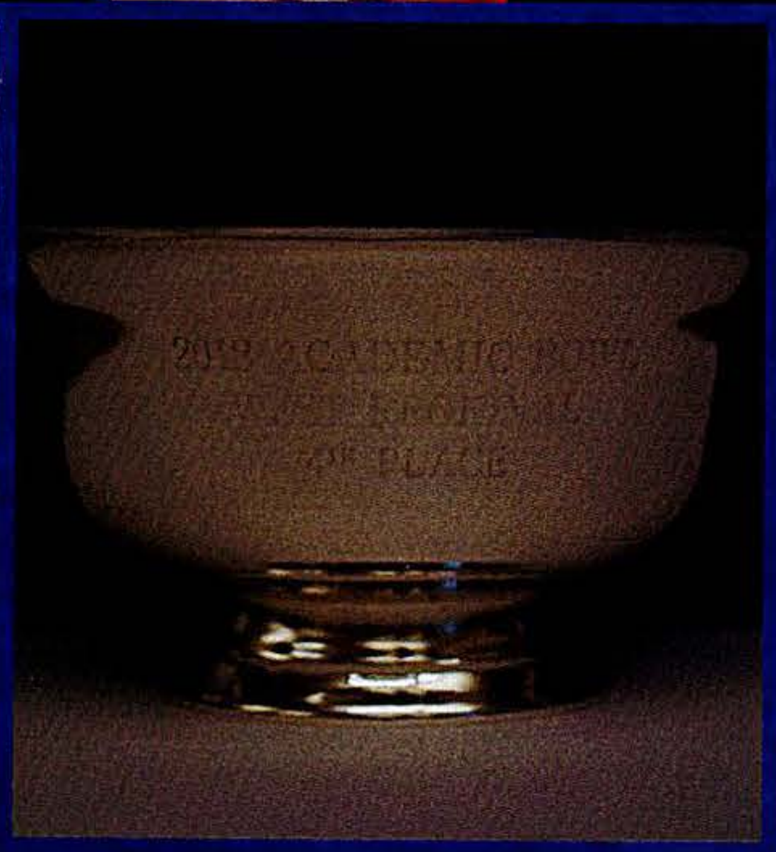


Our Academic Bowl team exceeded expectations by a large margin and showed it with their third consecutive Roadrunner Classic Academic Bowl Championships and won 4th Place in the hotly competitive Western Deaf Academic Bowl Regionals! They attended the Nationals in Washington, D.C. in April 2018. With a very young group of sophomores, PDSD has a bright future in Academic Bowl!

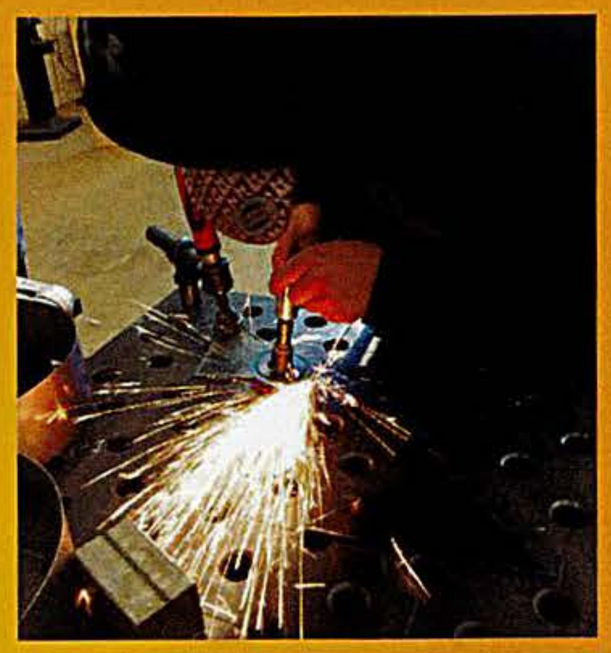
Battle of the Books

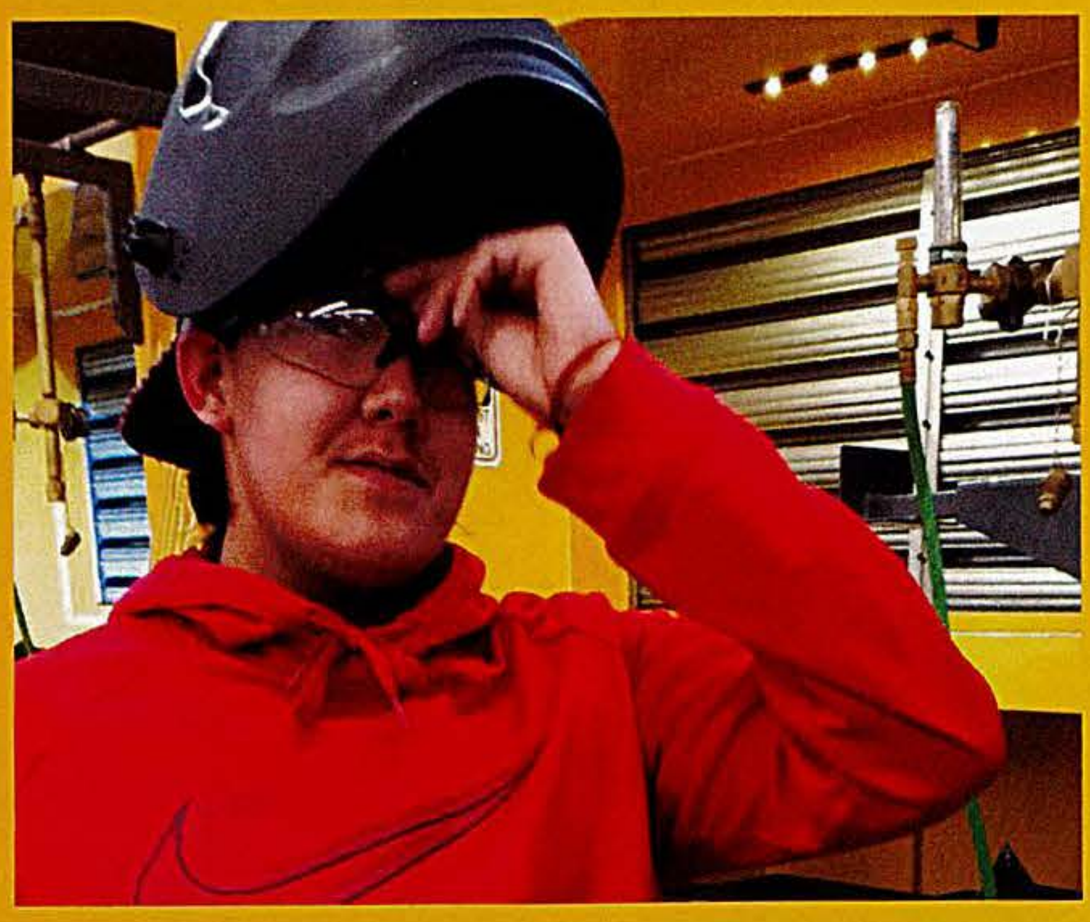
BUFF TEAM
Left to Right: Jacqueline Albert, Zoe Abrams-Gay, Willow Herbold
Coach: Renee Jantz

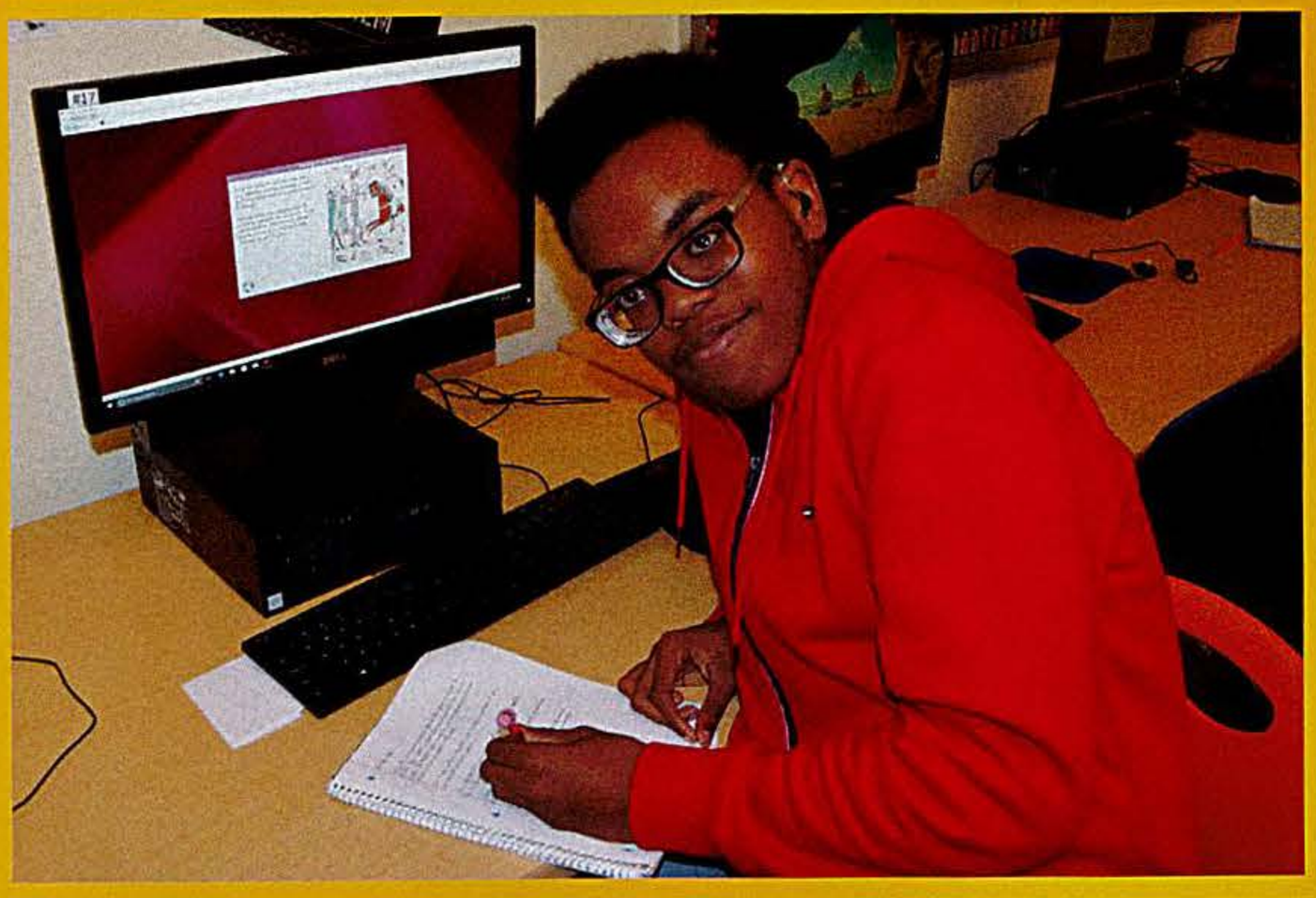
BLUE TEAM
Left to Right: Alyssa Clark, Ducati Camacho, Alejandra Acosta
Coach: Wes Porter

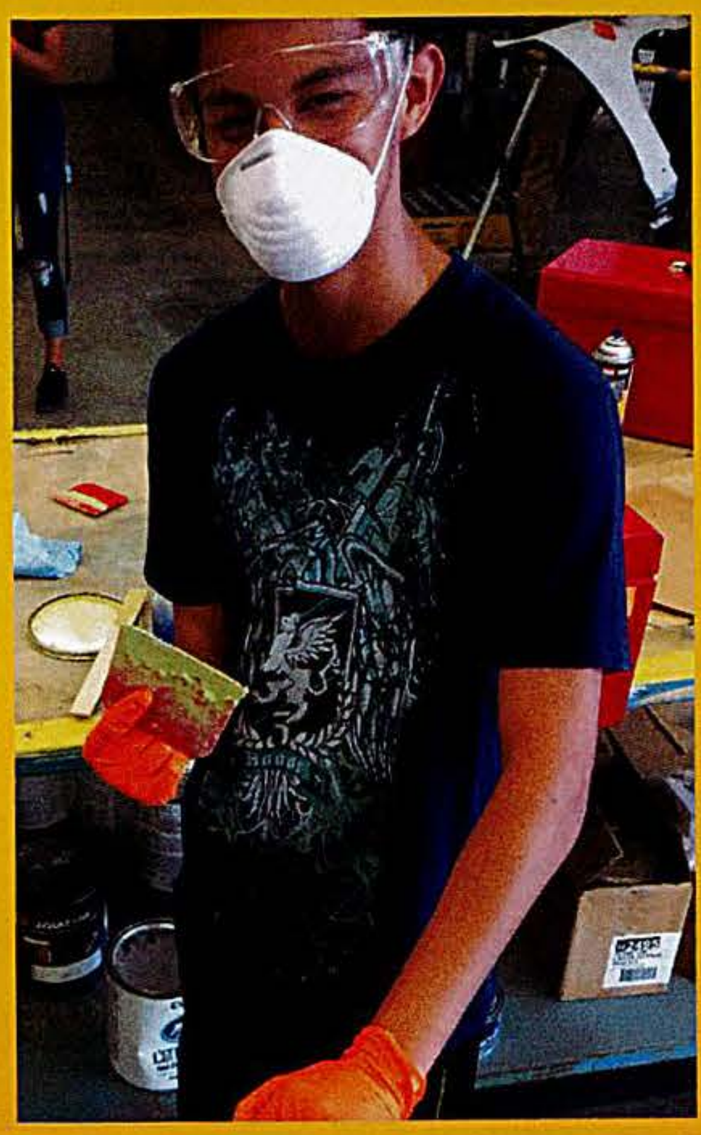
GREEN TEAM
Left to Right: Jonathan Munoz, Alexis Fonseca Zavala, Riley Main, Adriana Gutierrez Lopez
Coach: Sheryl Whitehead

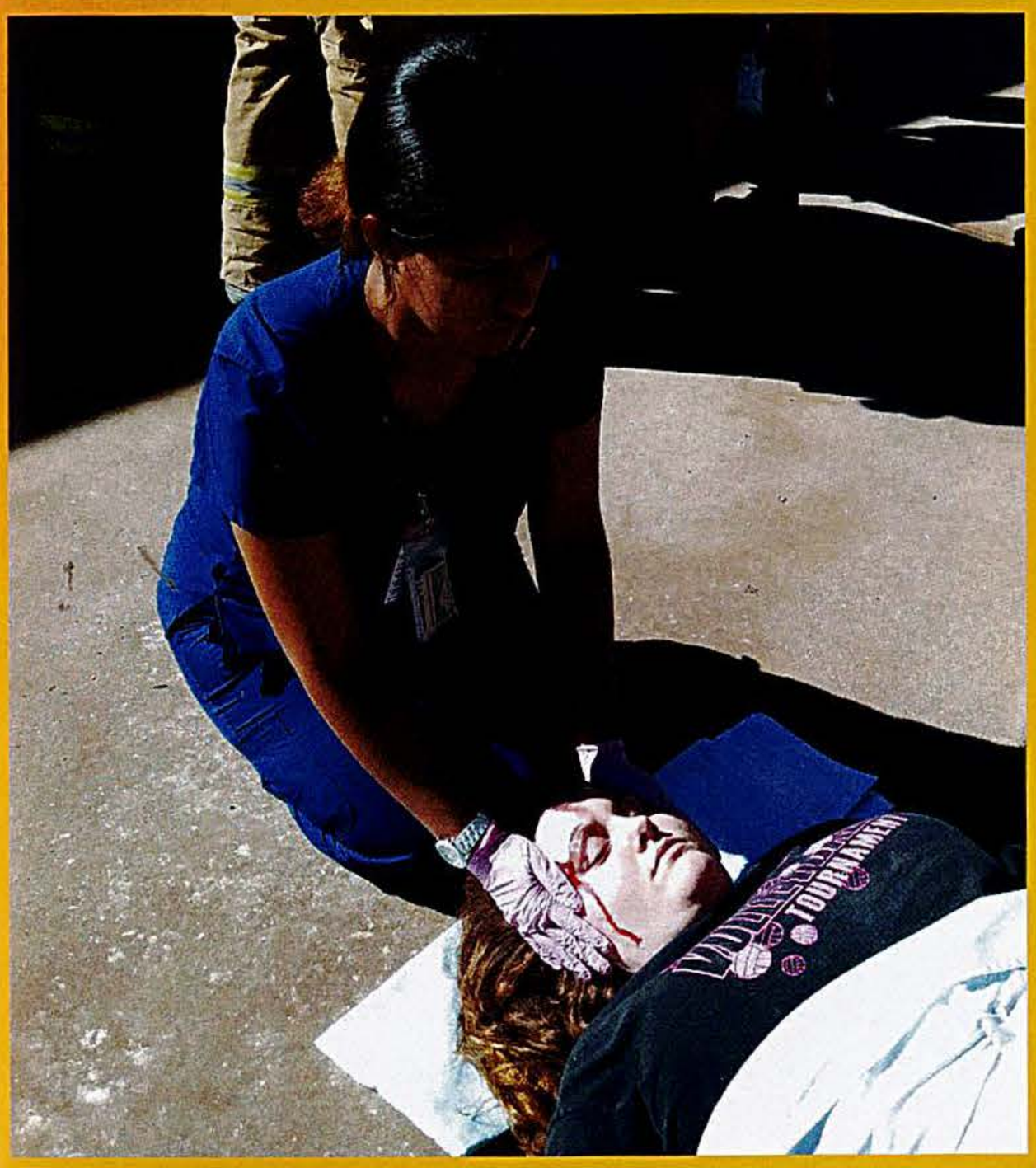
Moon Valley Ed Options Metro Tech

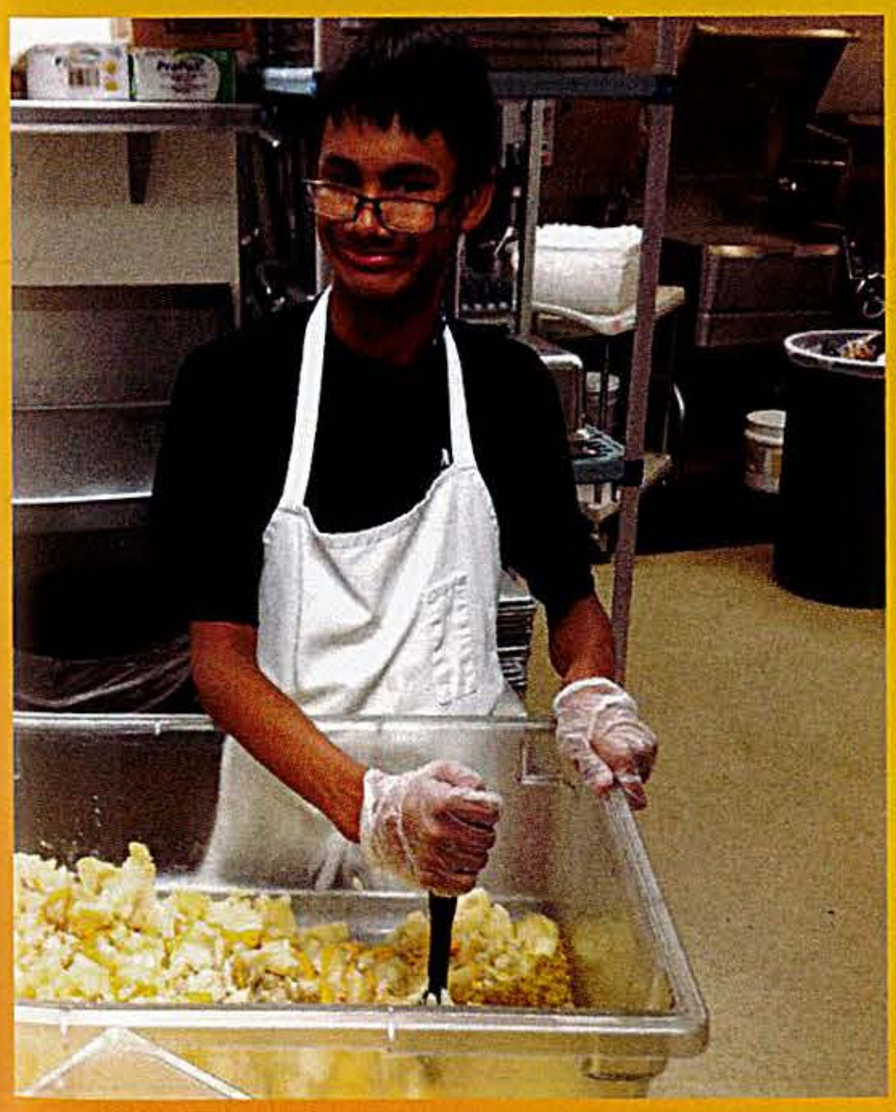


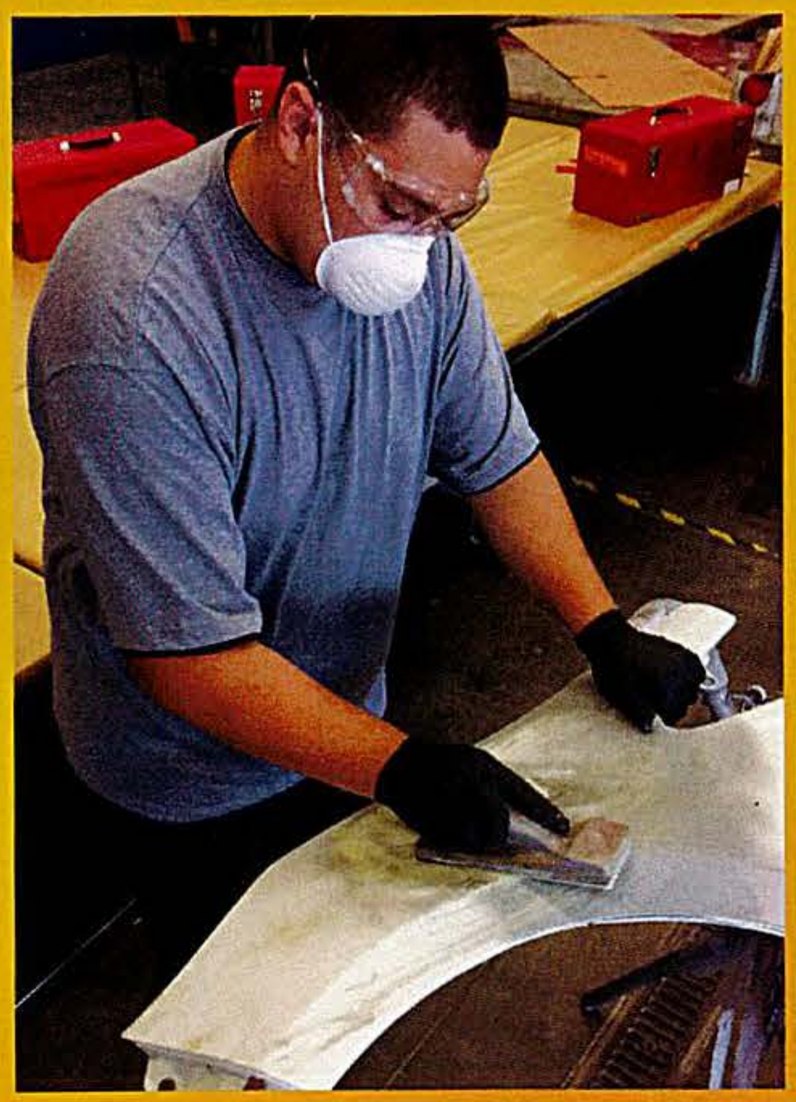












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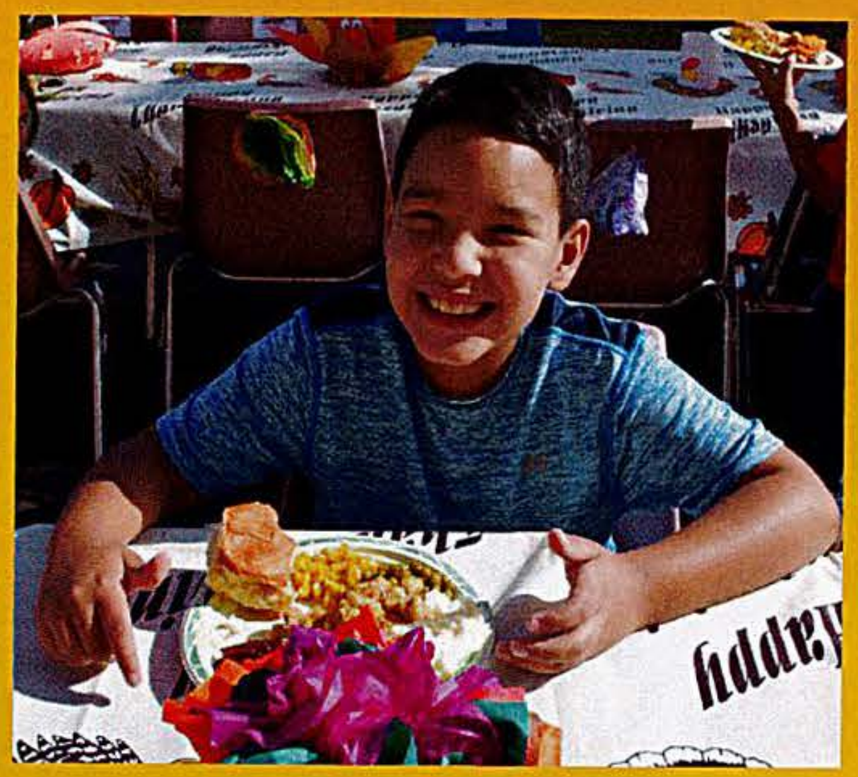

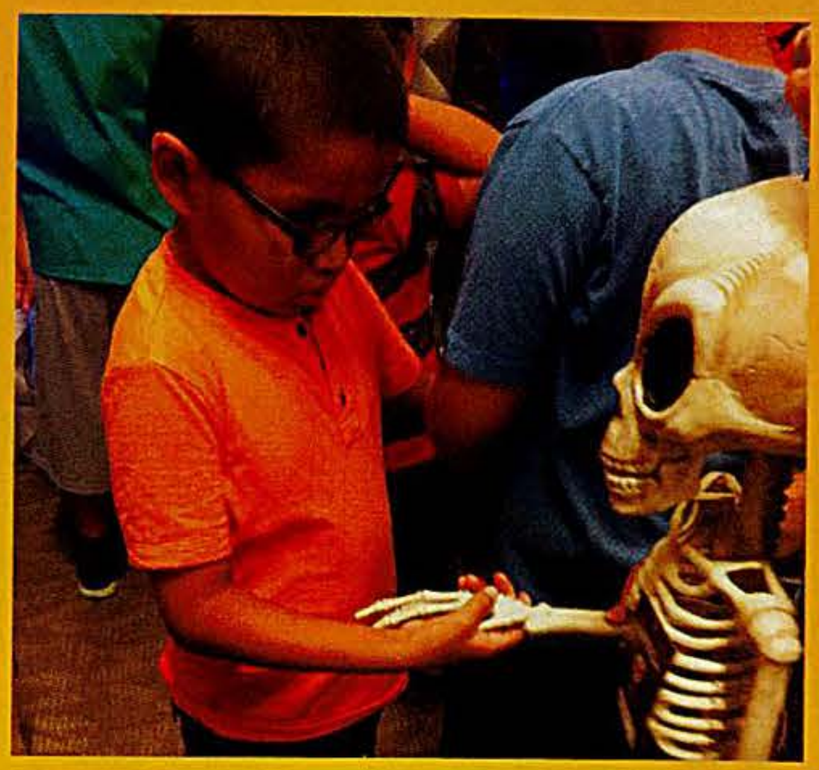

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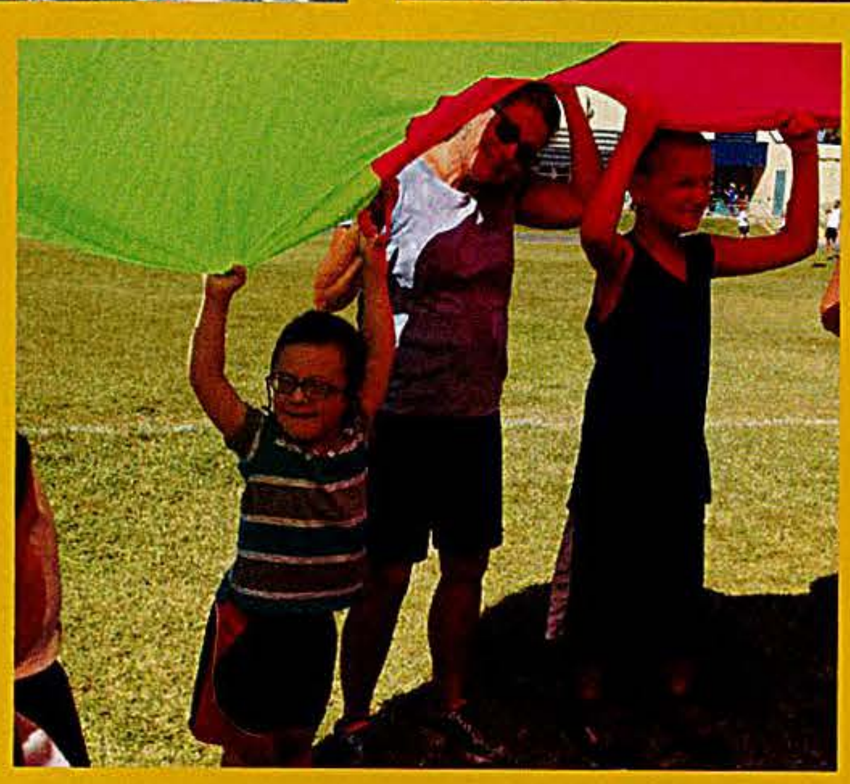

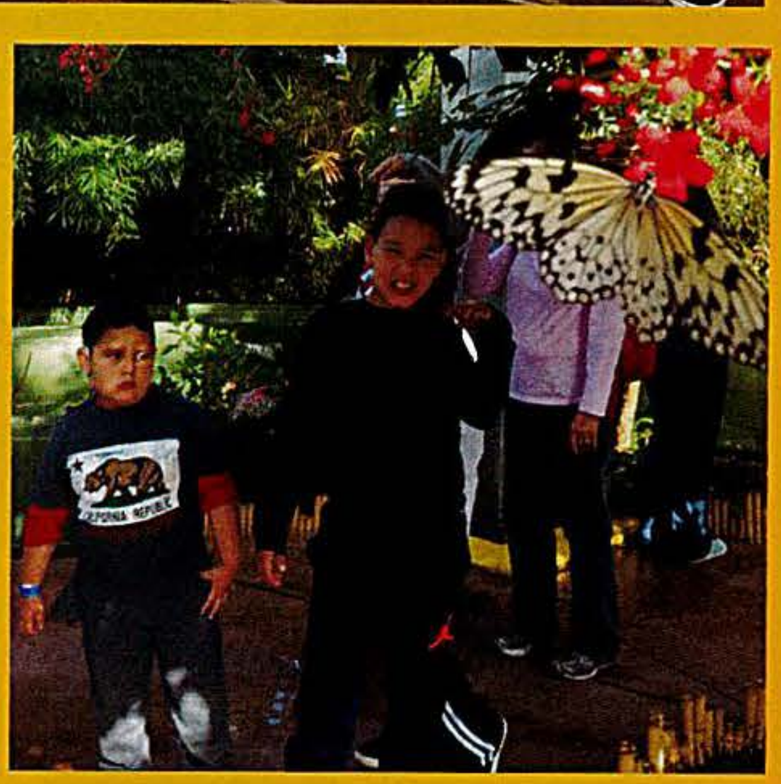
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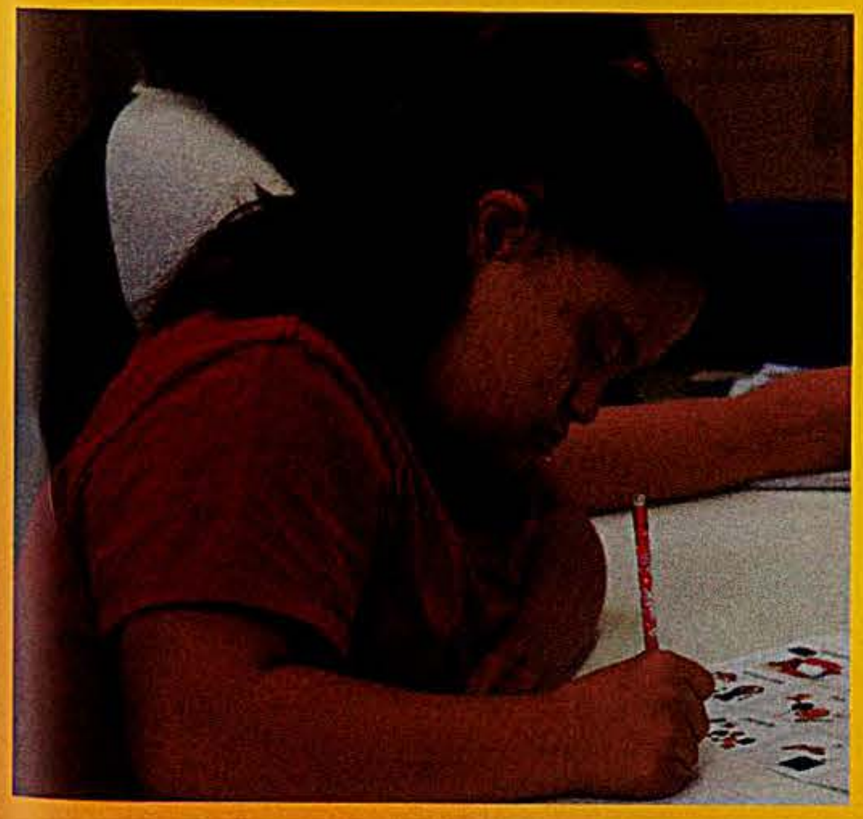

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Solar Eclipse

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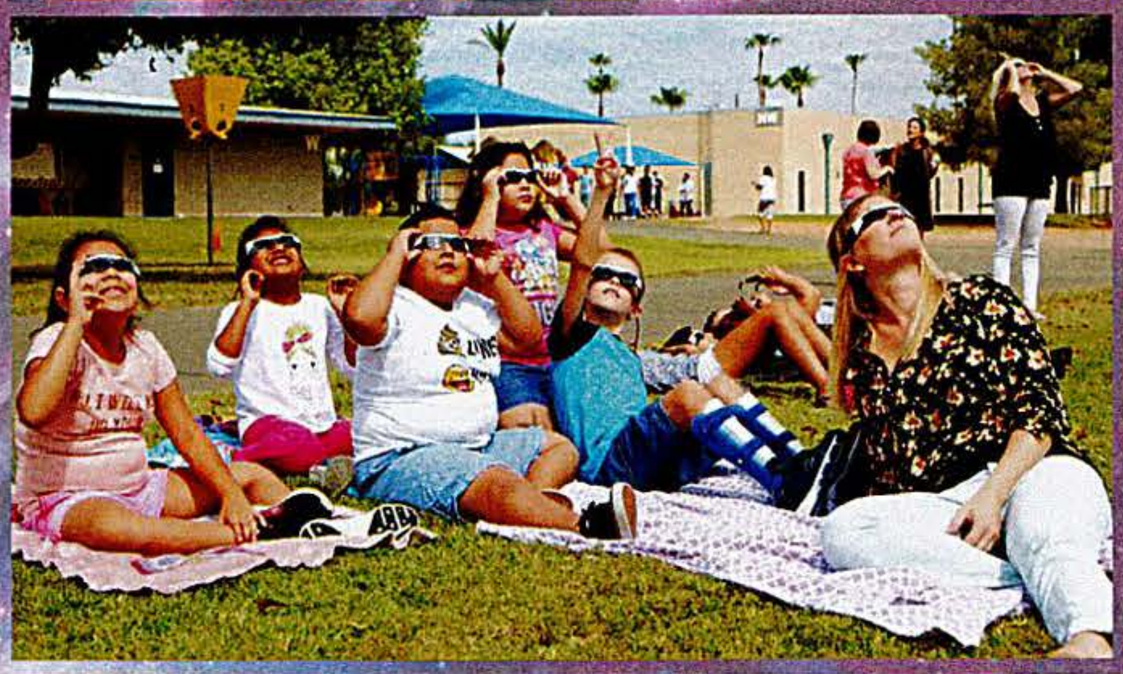

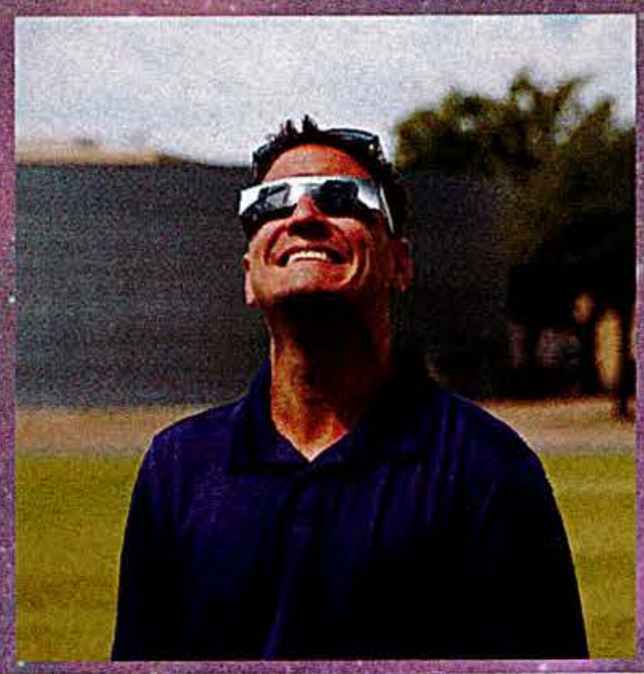

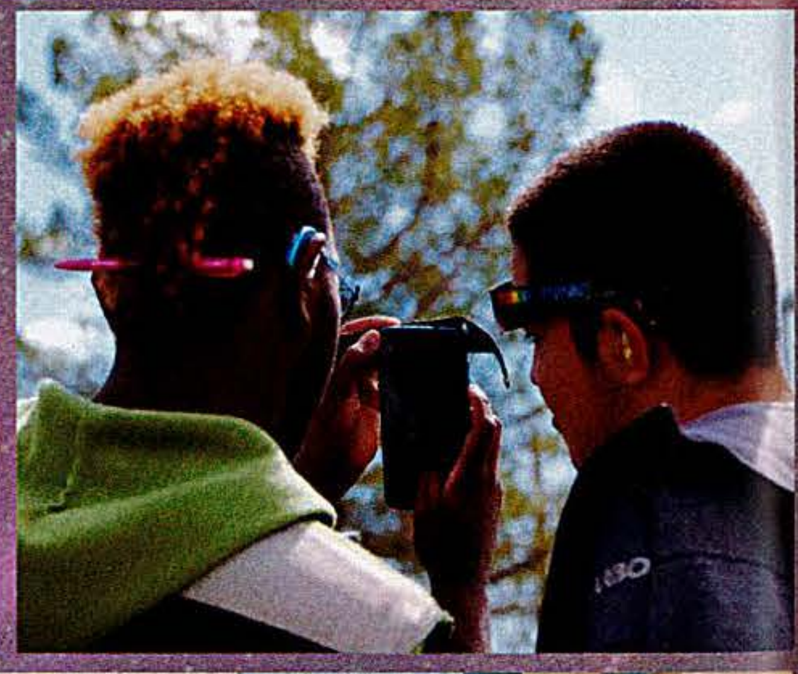

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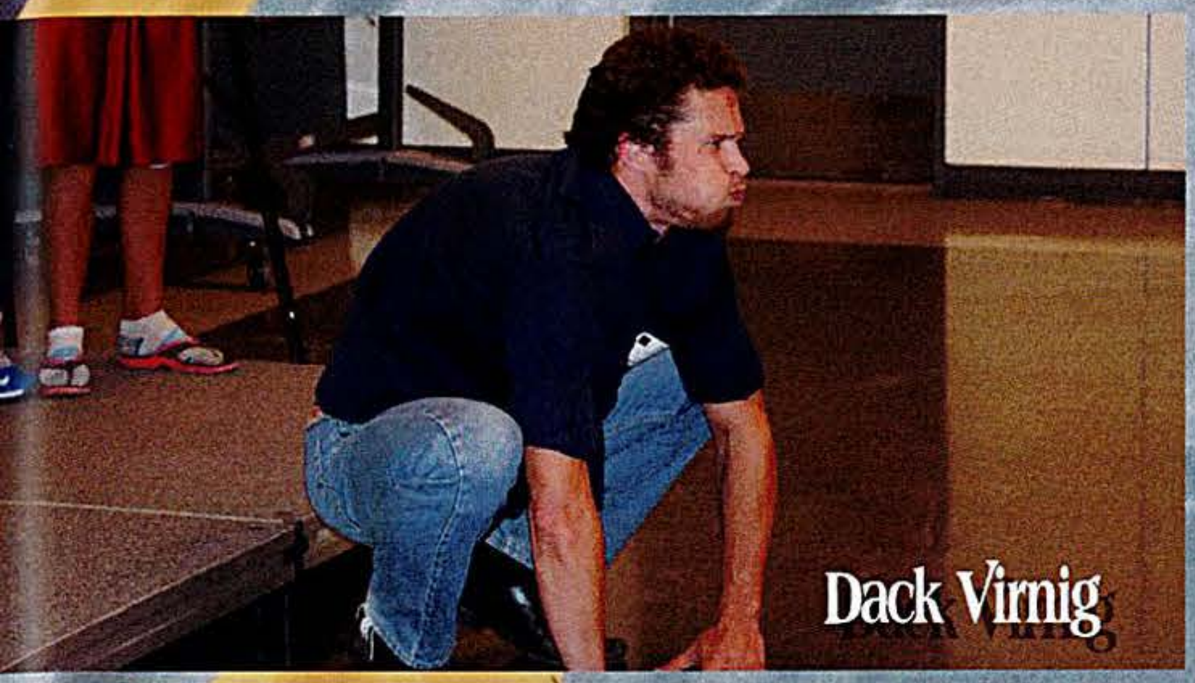
Deaf Awareness

2017-2018

1967-2017



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Deaf United Flag

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RAIDER PRIDE

WE
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PHOENIX
1967-2017
BACK

Governor Ducey & Gallaudet President Bobbi Cordano

Pep Rally

SVRS
Purple
PDSD
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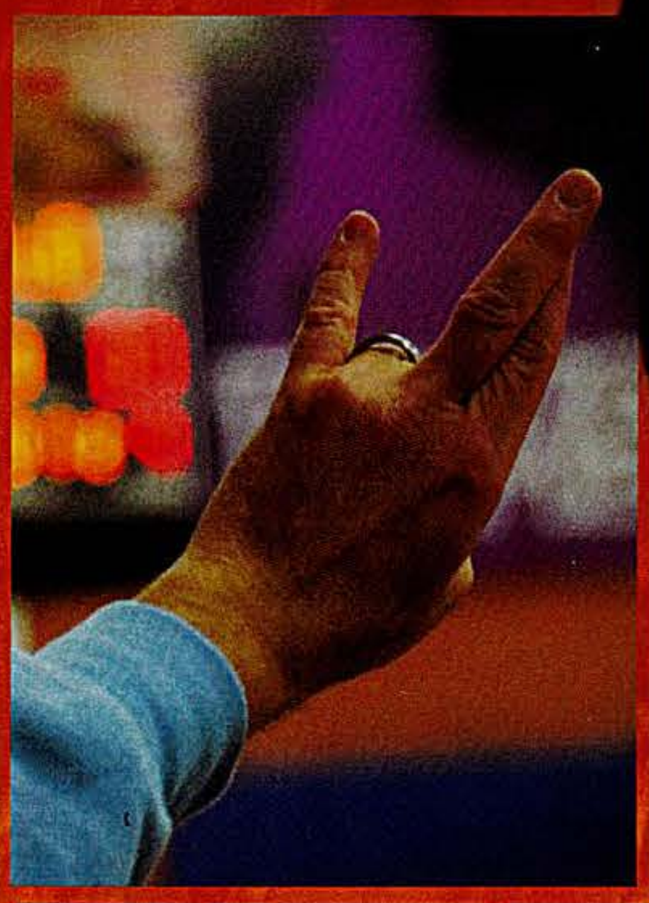

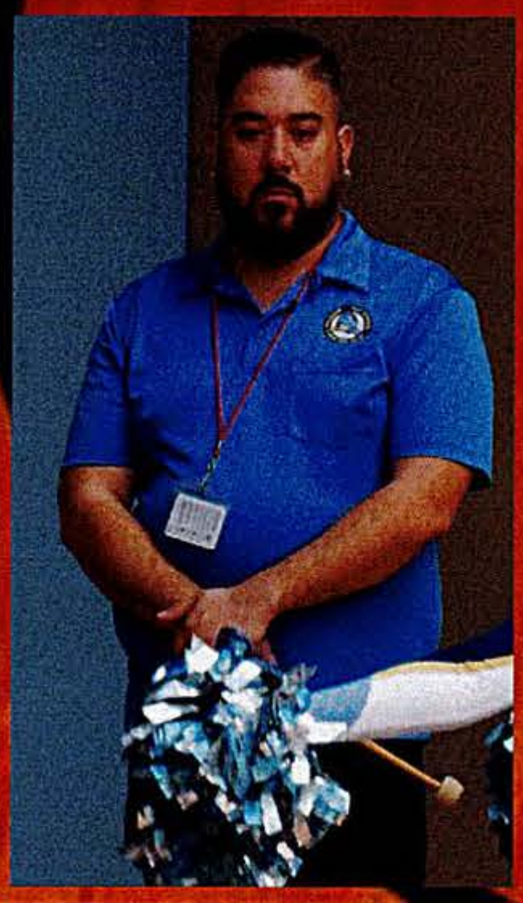

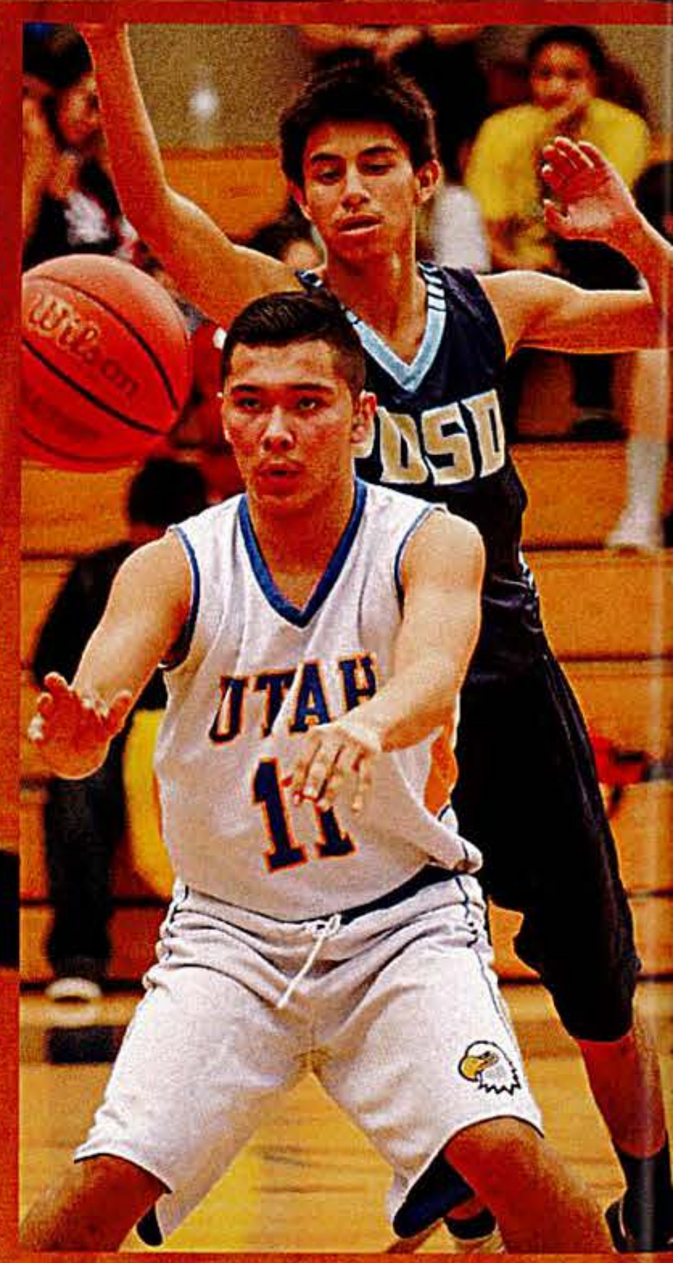

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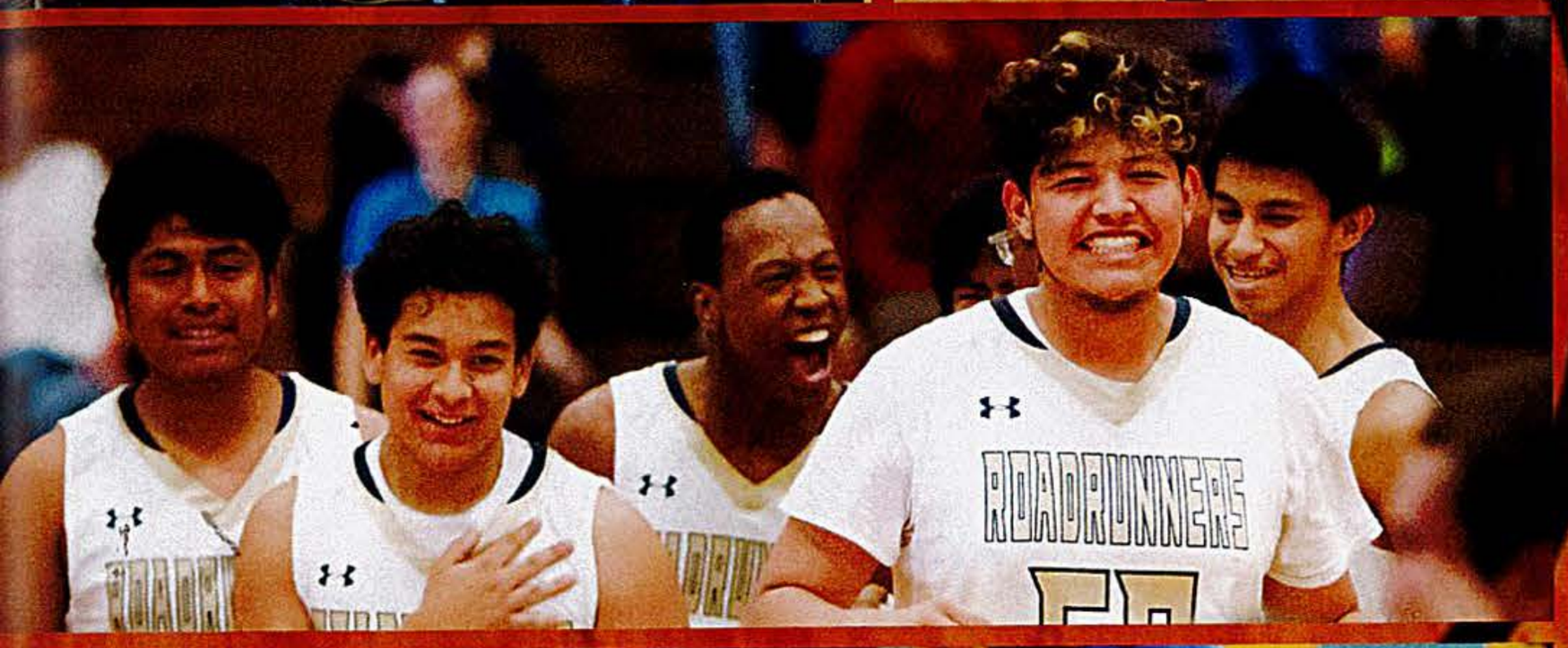
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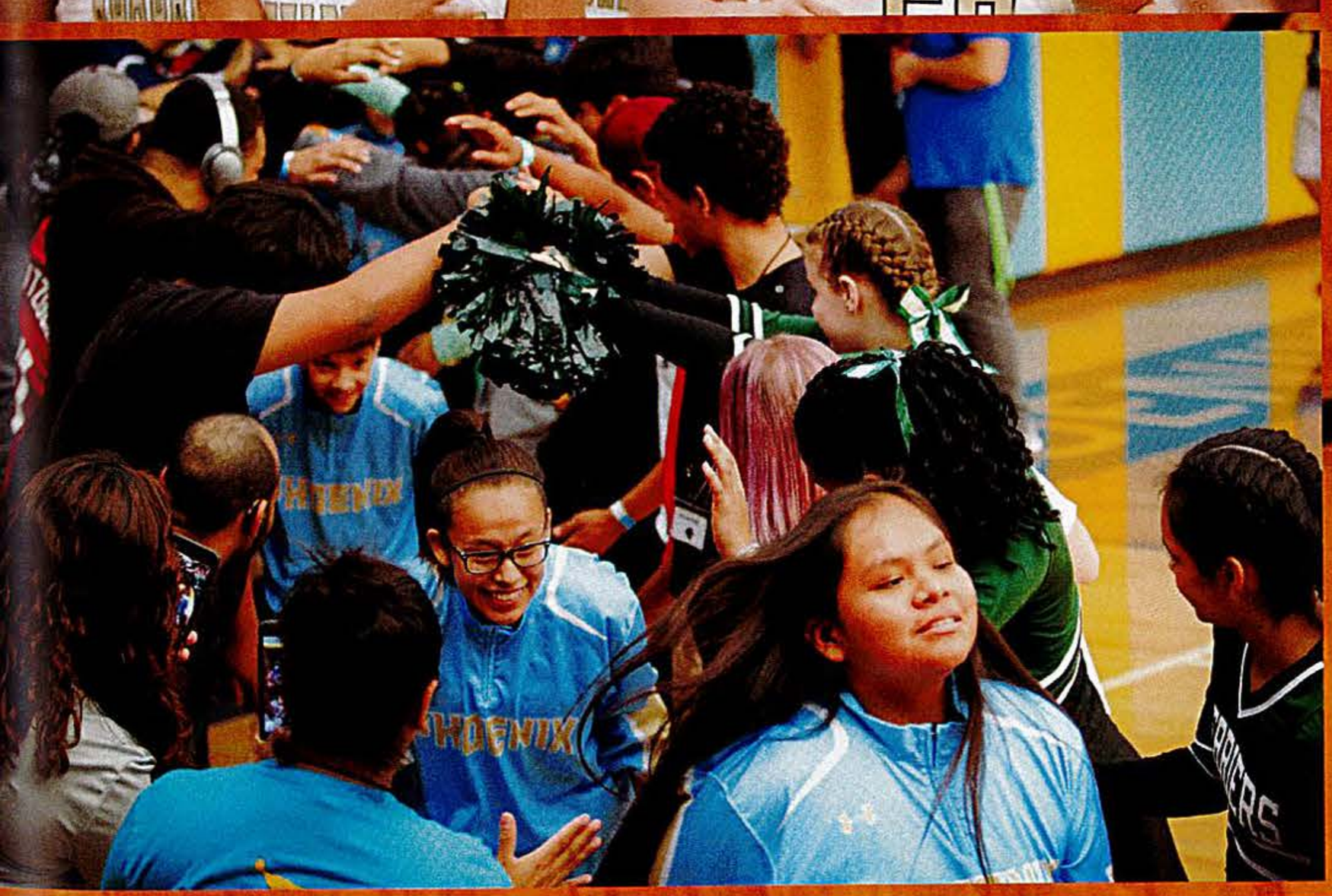
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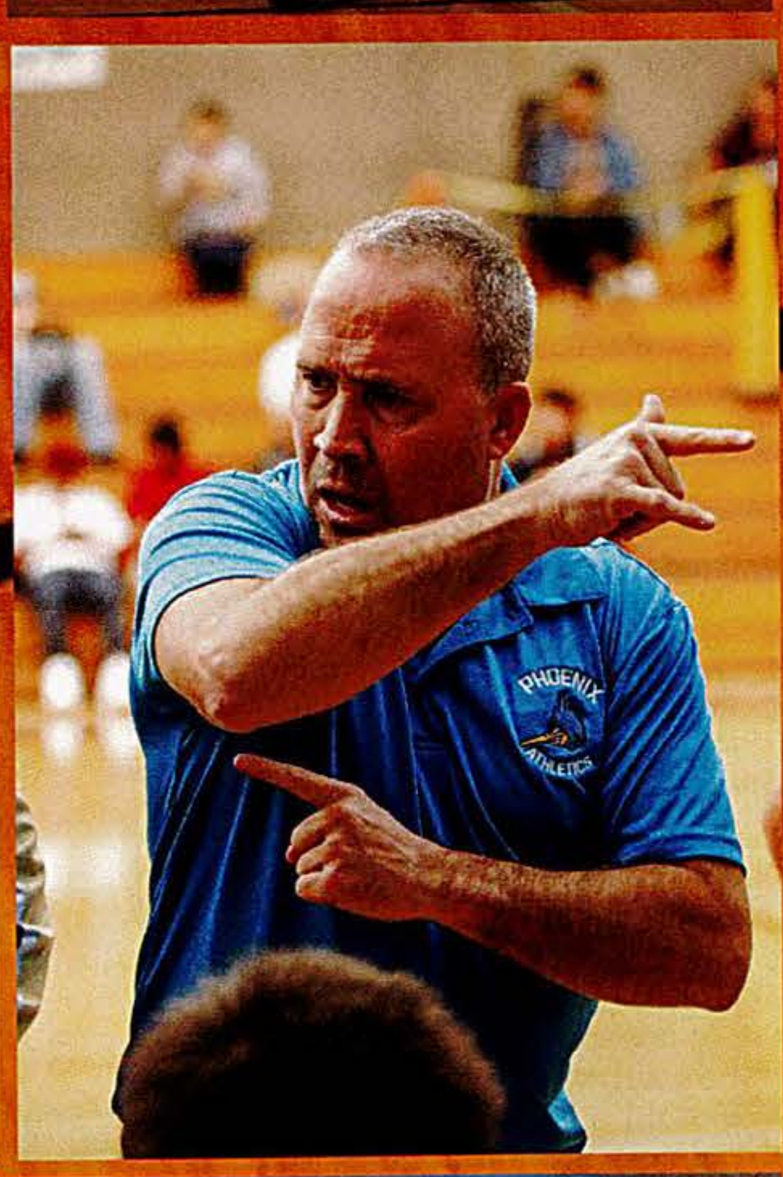
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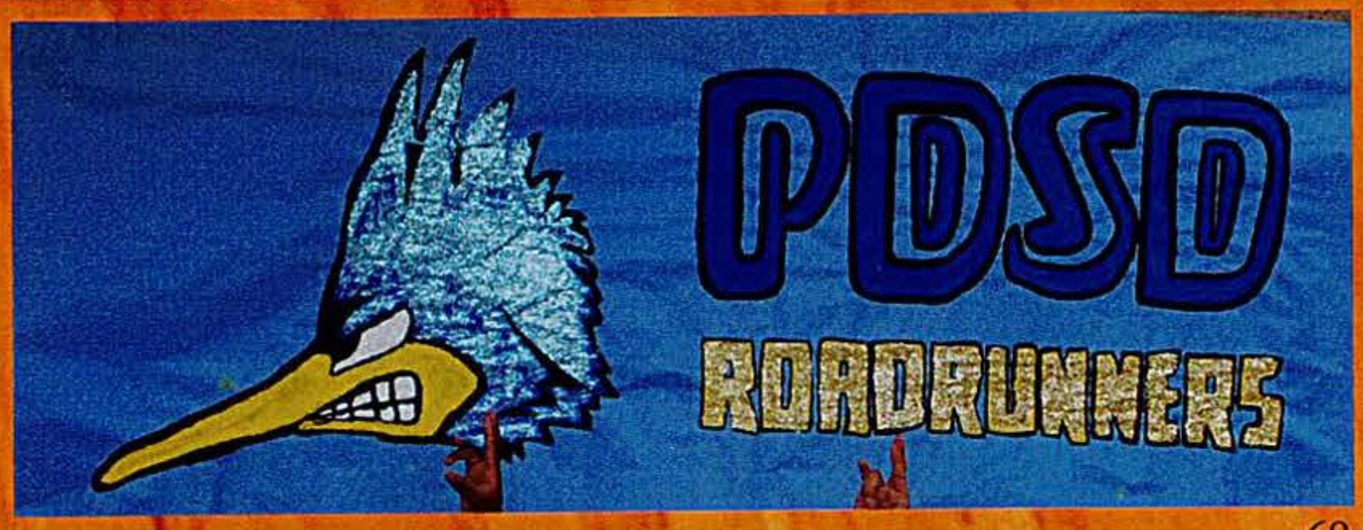
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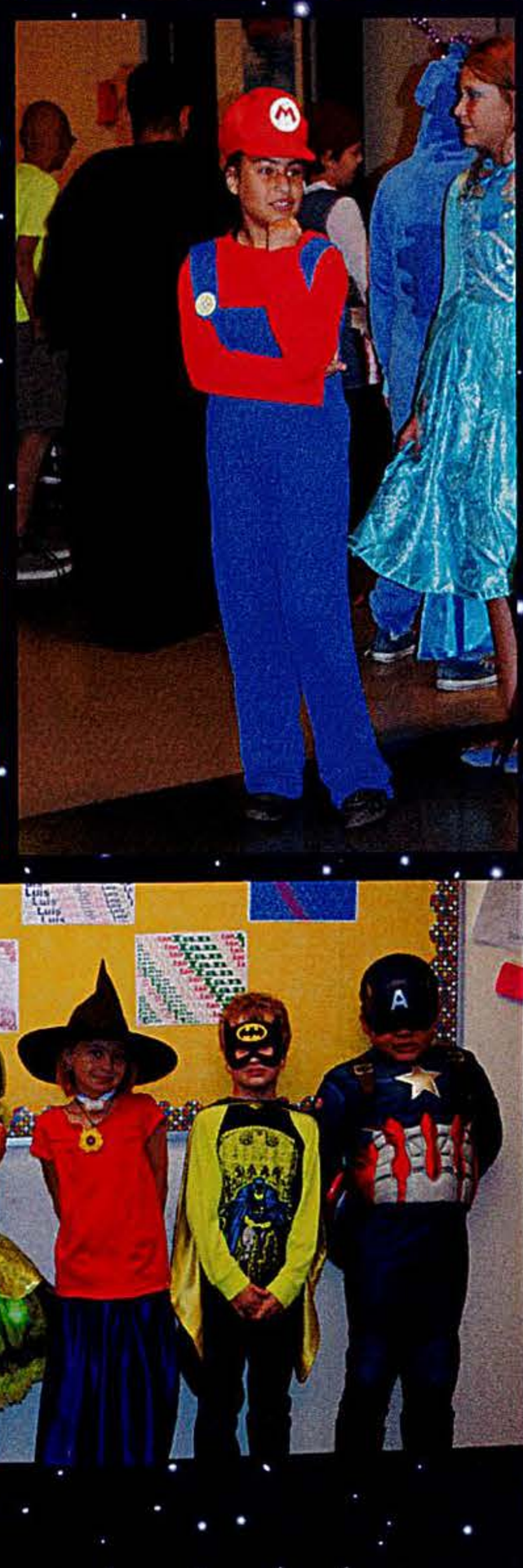
Calvin Young

Halloween

2017-2018

1967-2017



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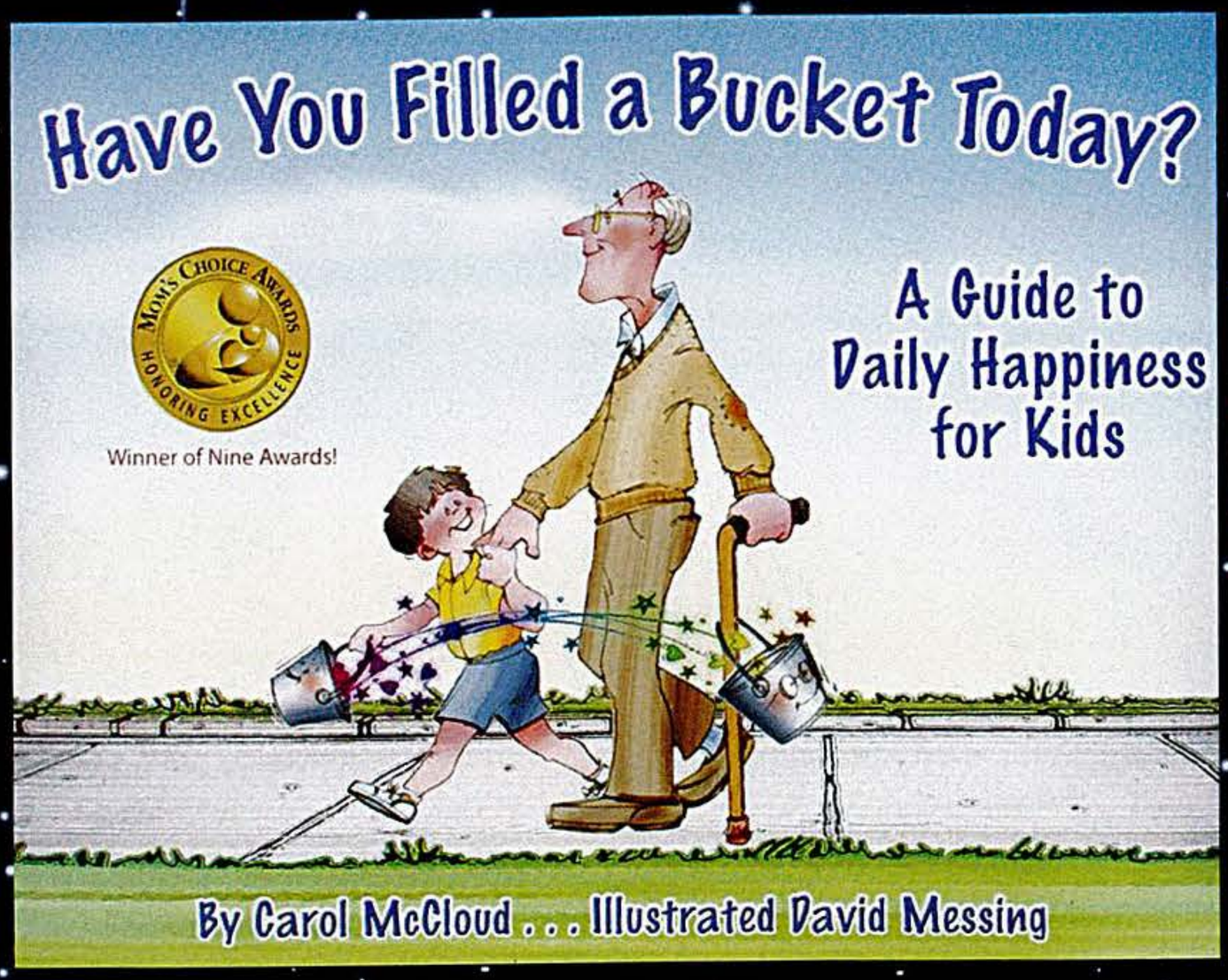
Have You Filled a Bucket Today?
Mom's Choice Awards
Honoring Excellence
Winner of Nine Awards!
A Guide to Daily Happiness for Kids
By Carol McCloud . . . Illustrated David Messing

You fill a bucket when you show love to someone, when you say
Or do something kind, or even when you give someone a smile.
That's being a bucket filler.

Tree Lighting

2017-2018

1967-2017

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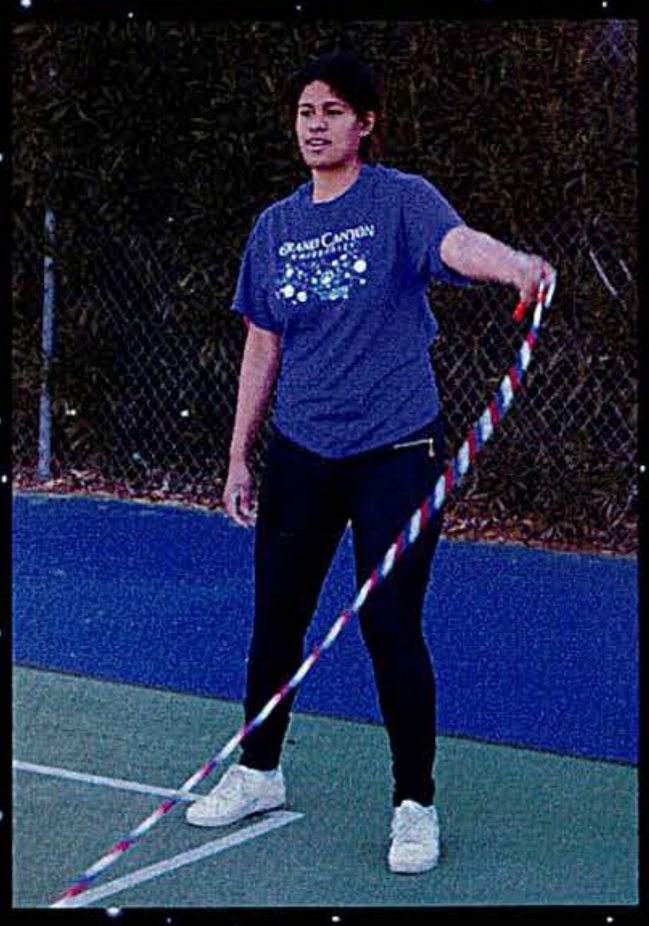
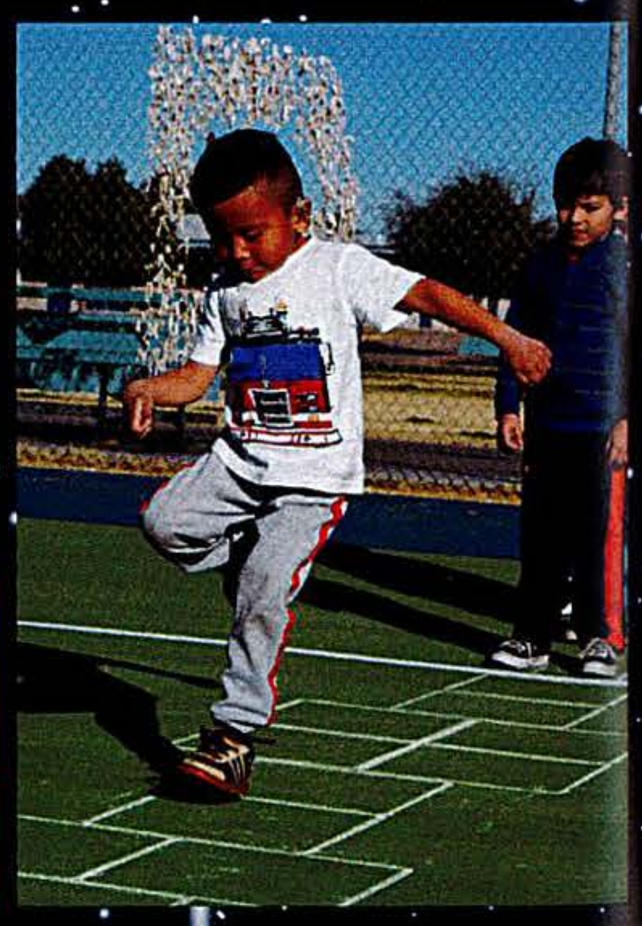
Jump Rope for Heart

2017-2018





Read Across America

2017-2018

1967-2017

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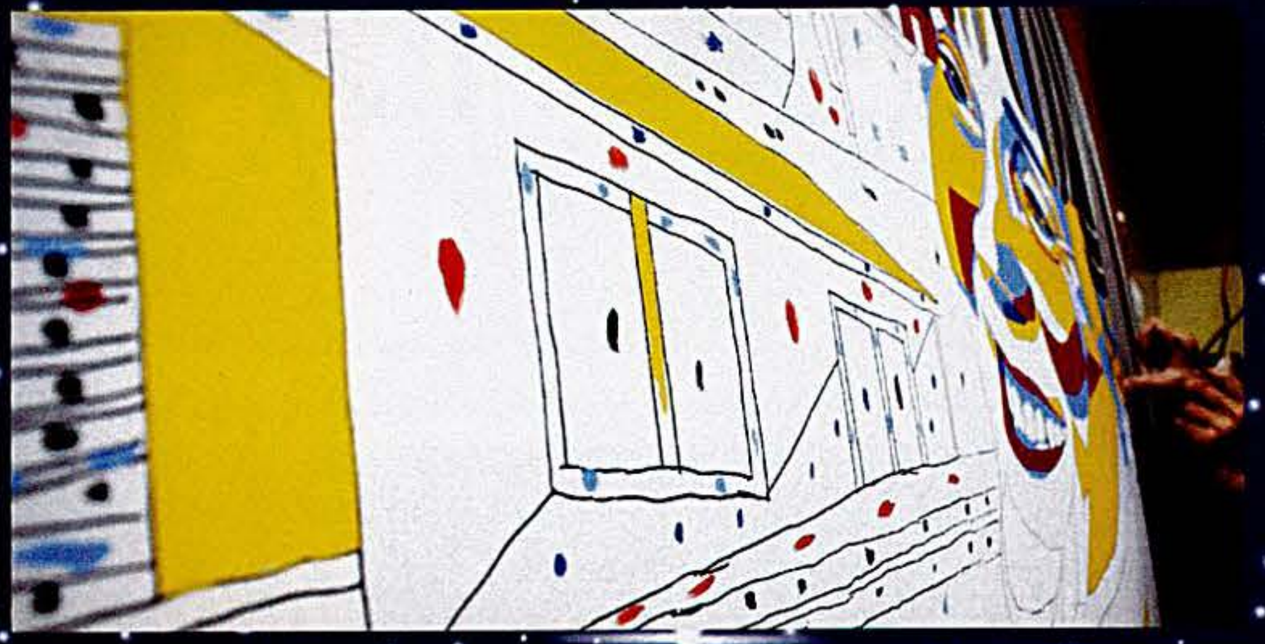
AWARENESS

2017-2018

Artist in Residence
Nancy Rourke

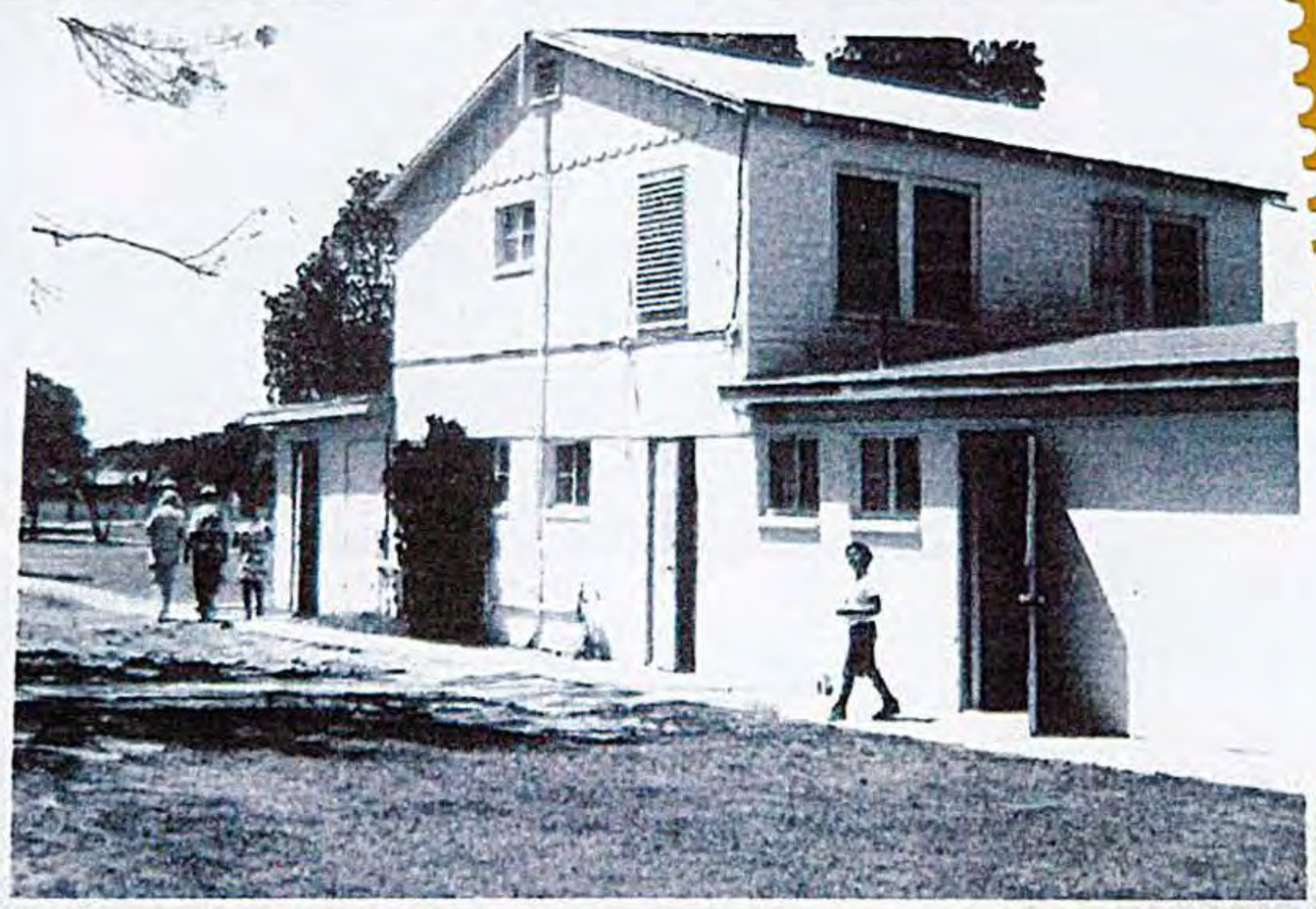
1967-2017



1967-2017

Phoenix Day School for the Deaf 50th Anniversary

2017-2018



Phoenix Day School for the Deaf was established in 1967.

HISTORY OF PHOENIX DAY SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF:

1967 - PDSD was established in a two story house with 30 students and 5 teachers. Hearing Education and Rehabilitation Society was the first parent group.

1981- The Interscholastic Athletic program began.

1983- Six students graduated in the first graduating class. PDSD had its first yearbook. The SPAC building was completed by architect William Bruder. The canvas dome roof was the first of its kind in Arizona.

1986- Church property next to PDSD was purchased, for two years we shared the buildings with the church.

1991- On November 22, PDSD held a birthday party by opening a fake time capsule as the original was lost during the construction of the cafeteria. A new time capsule was buried south of the cafeteria in 1992. The plate was lost when a temporary modular building was placed there during the construction of the new main building (2007).

2012- The Arizona Centennial and ASDB's 100th birthday was celebrated.

Variety Show

2017-2018

1967-2017

PDSD VS Alumni Basketball

1967-2017

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50th Anniversary Gala

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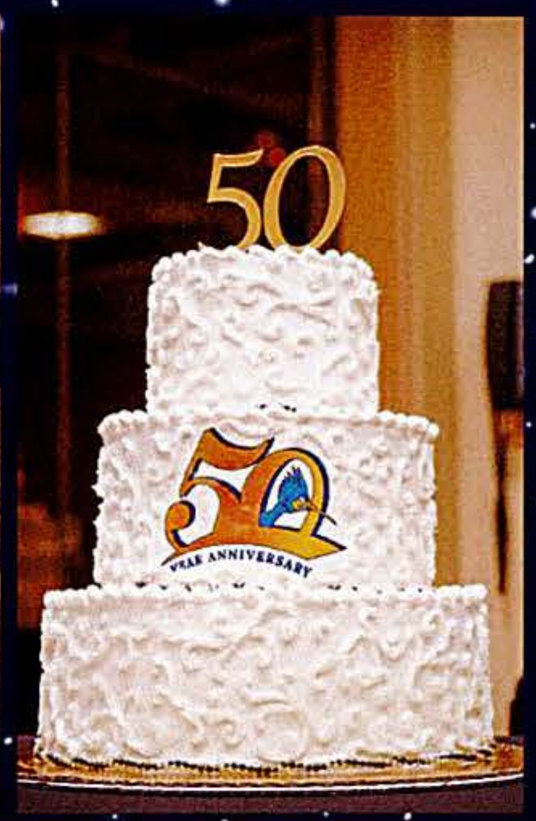

Once a Roadrunner... Always a Roadrunner

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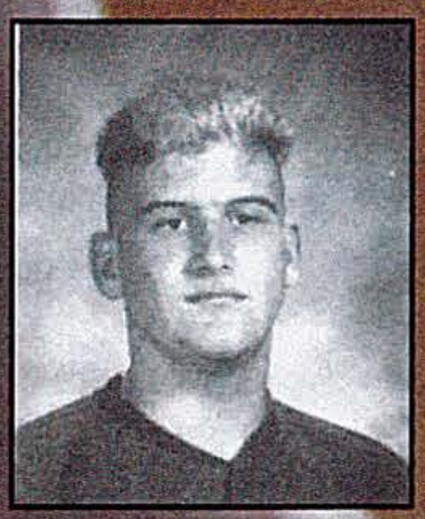
Erwin Carlson

Carolina Castelo

Allen Craig

Gerardo Dyck



Benjamin Feistner

Monica Garza

Jasmine Henderson

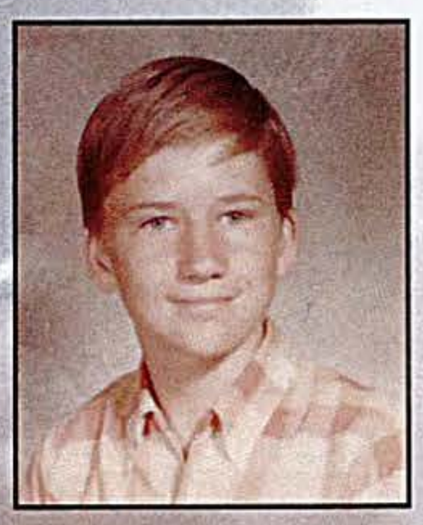
Ramona Ibarra

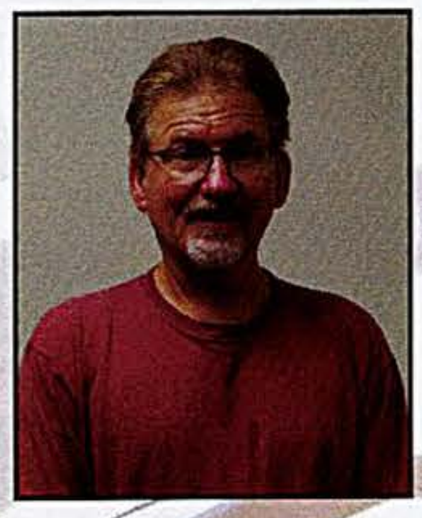
Martha Lopez

Ada Martinez

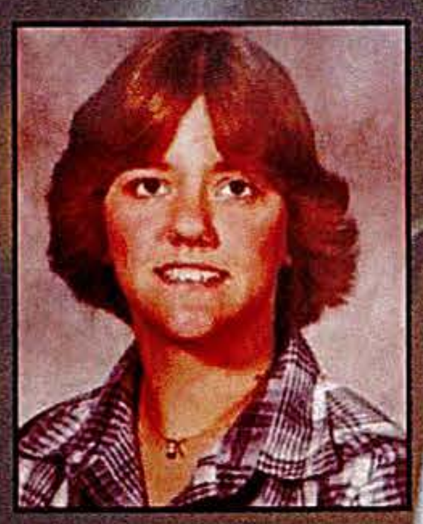
Jessica Andrade (Moots)

Talitia Nevins





Barry Nelson



Kathleen Prokopek

Alexia Riff

Yuridia Salgado

Megan Tellefson (Smith)

PHOENIX DAY

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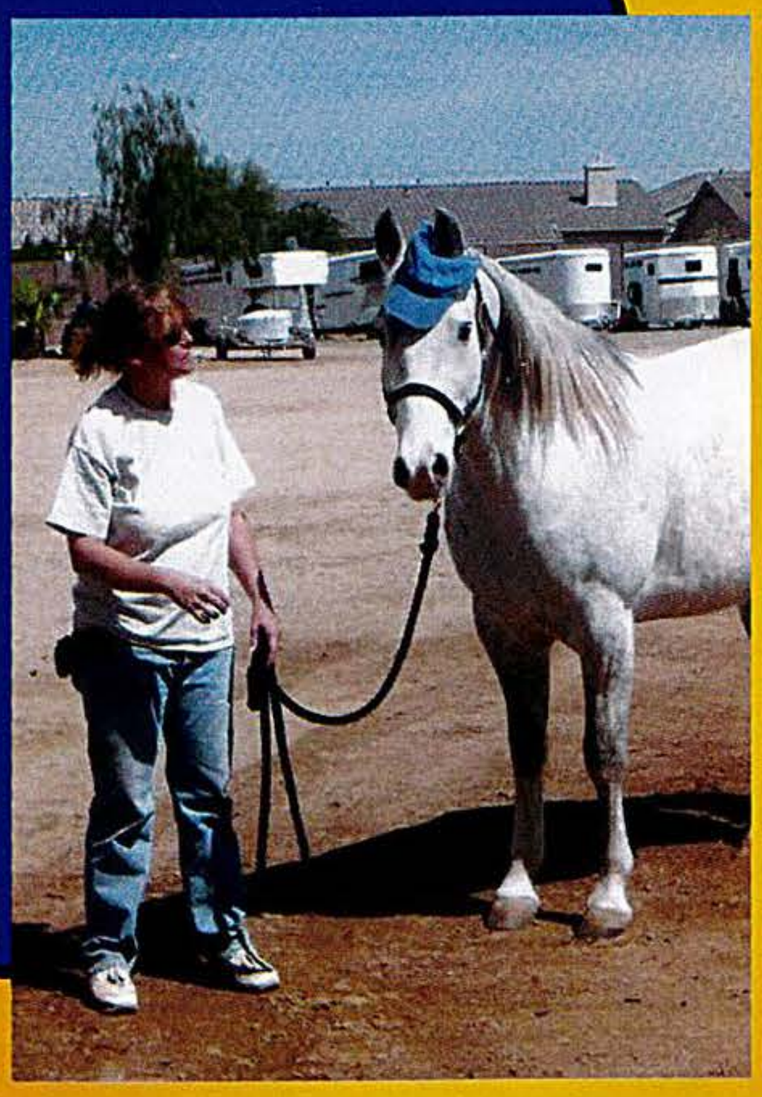
That's a Wrap

It is with mixed emotions that I am retiring at the end of the 2017-2018 school year. After 22 years with PDSD, I have made many wonderful friends and worked with many very special students who I will remember and cherish in my heart! I have worked with students on their speech and auditory skills as well as teaching life skills students at all levels from elementary through high school. I appreciate all of my experiences! I look forward to new adventures: taking care of my granddaughter, spending time with my family, and learning to relax. I hope to keep in touch with my PDSD family. I wish everyone well and the best of luck!

Roberta Violette

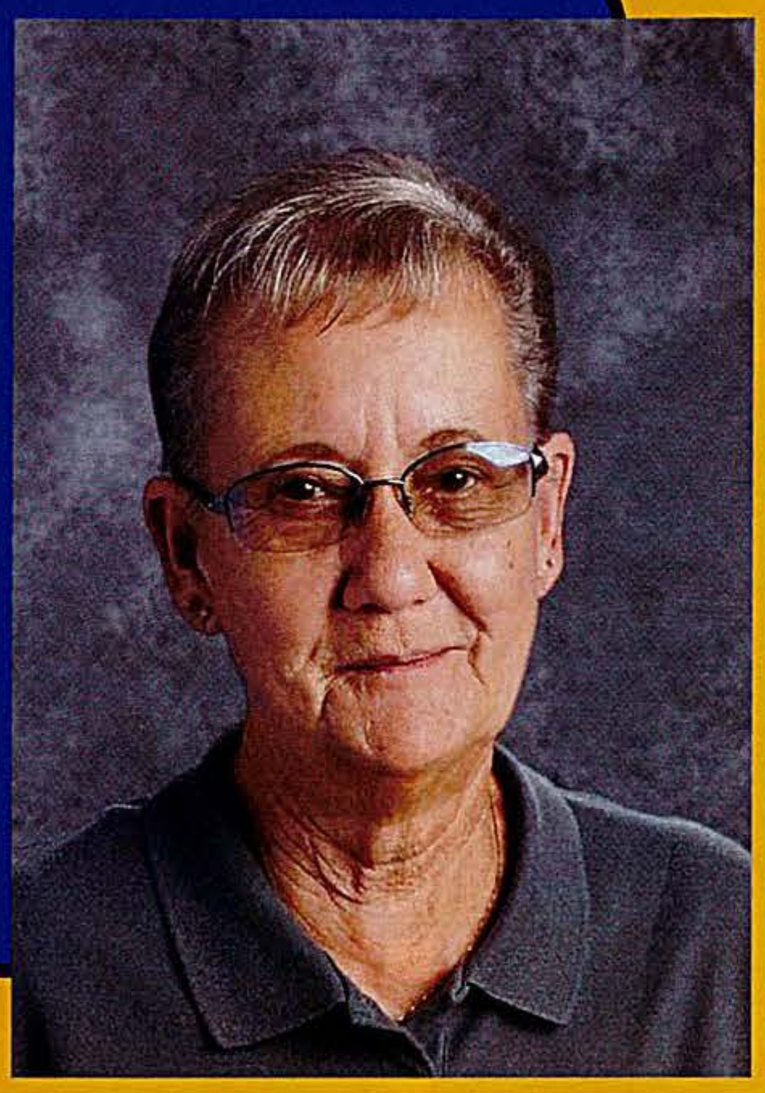


In fourth grade, I met a girl who had three Deaf brothers and she taught me the alphabet, my first introduction to Deaf culture. When I moved to Arizona, I met a woman whose son attended PDSD and we took an ASL class together at Phoenix College. In 1988, I started working at PDSD as a bus driver and drove for 7 years before becoming a dispatcher. In 1999, I had the opportunity to move over into the instructional side of the school and have been here ever since.

I have seen so many positive changes over my 30 years here, including many former students who came back as staff, how exciting!

I am retiring in June, I hope to come back and visit, possibly do some volunteer work. It has been a pleasure working with all of you. I will miss you.

Lorene "Chip" Cary



It is with sadness that I am saying good-bye to my second family.

I have made many lasting friendships and have many fond memories of my sixteen years here at PDSD.

I will miss everyone but it is time to spend more time with my husband and grandchildren, before they make me a great grandma.

I hate saying good-bye, so will just say see you later.

Joan Hugo

After 13 years (2005-2018), it's time to move on to a new venture…retirement! Throughout the years, I recall many changes, good memories and also some challenges. I started my journey in the vocational department, then joined the Life Skills department. My goal has always been to teach academic skills but also for students to gain important life skills. I recall being wide-eyed as a new (& gullible) recruit and was the volleyball coach for five years (2005-2009).

I will fondly remember many staff who I connected with over the years. There are some amazing, dedicated and talented people who work, or who have worked at PDSD. One in particular is my incredibly wonderful instructional assistant and friend, Liliana Gonzalez. I definitely have been truly blessed to have her partnership through these years of changes, successes and challenges.

I wish you all, students and staff, very successful years ahead as you continue on at PDSD. Many heartfelt thanks and appreciation for words of encouragement, sharing of resources, collaboration and support throughout my journey.

Cassandra Witherspoon

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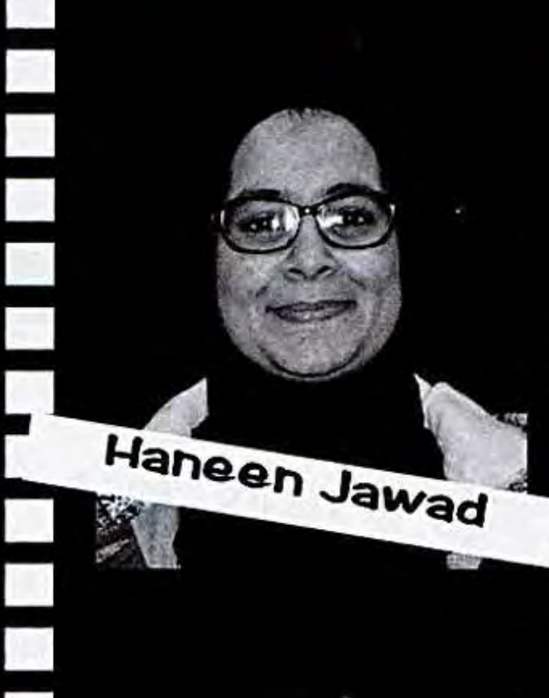
YEARBOOK MEMBERS

Brianna Falco



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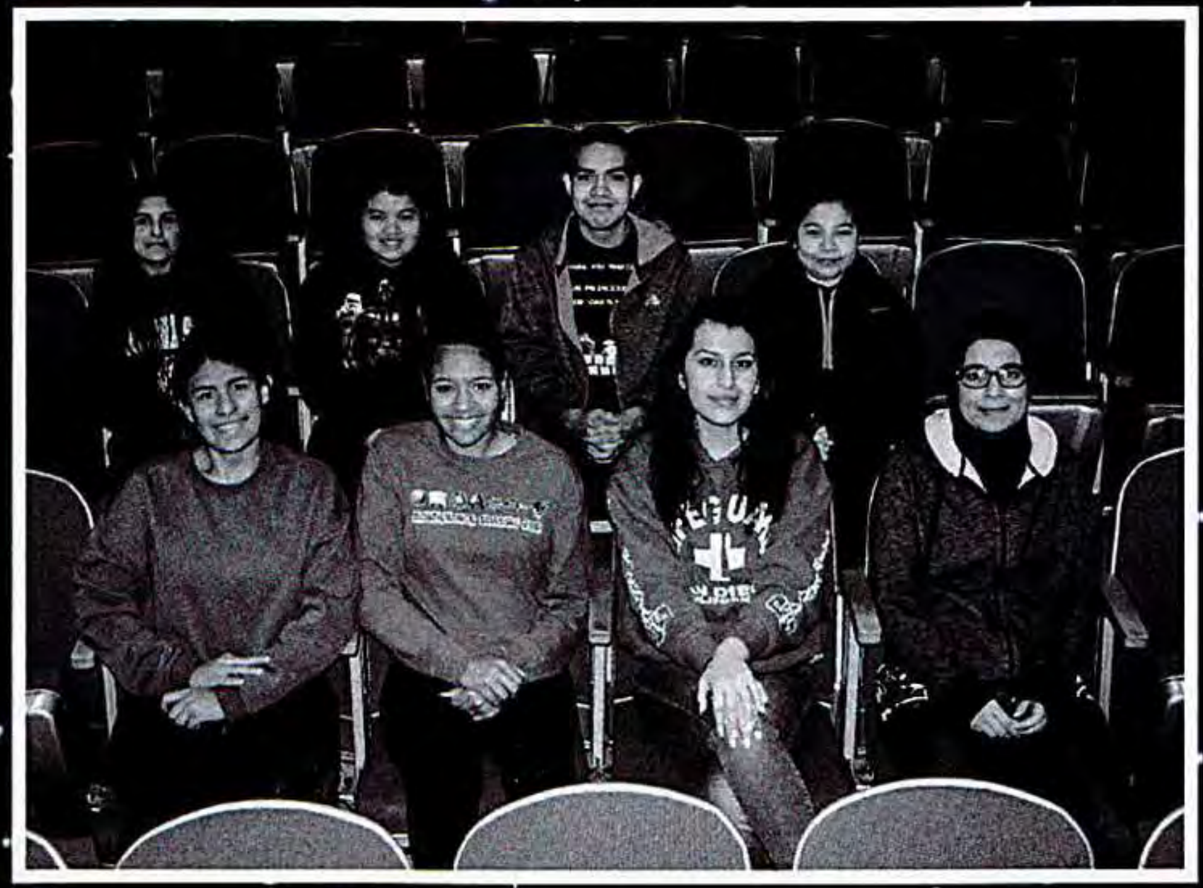

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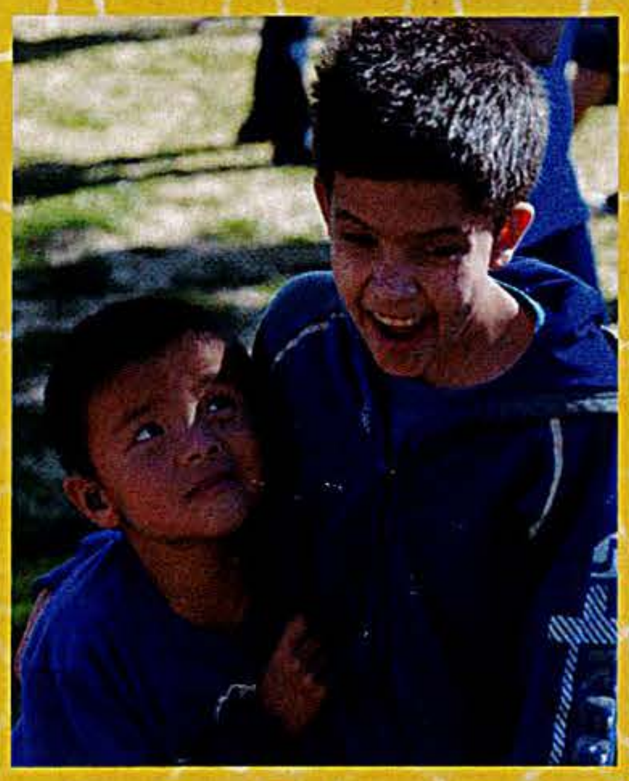

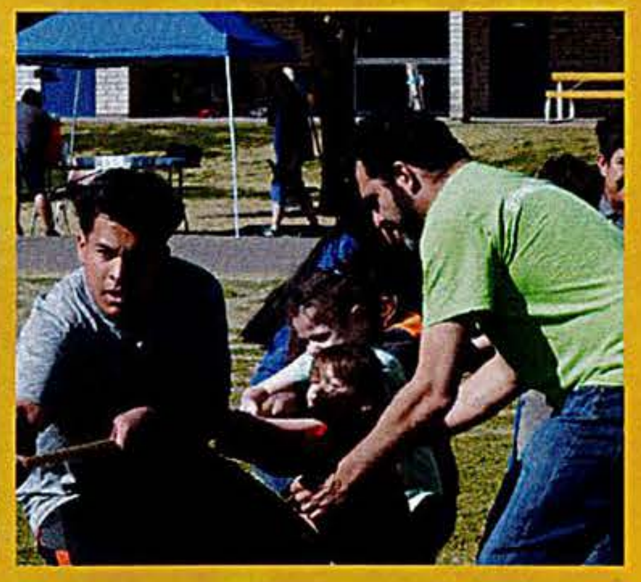

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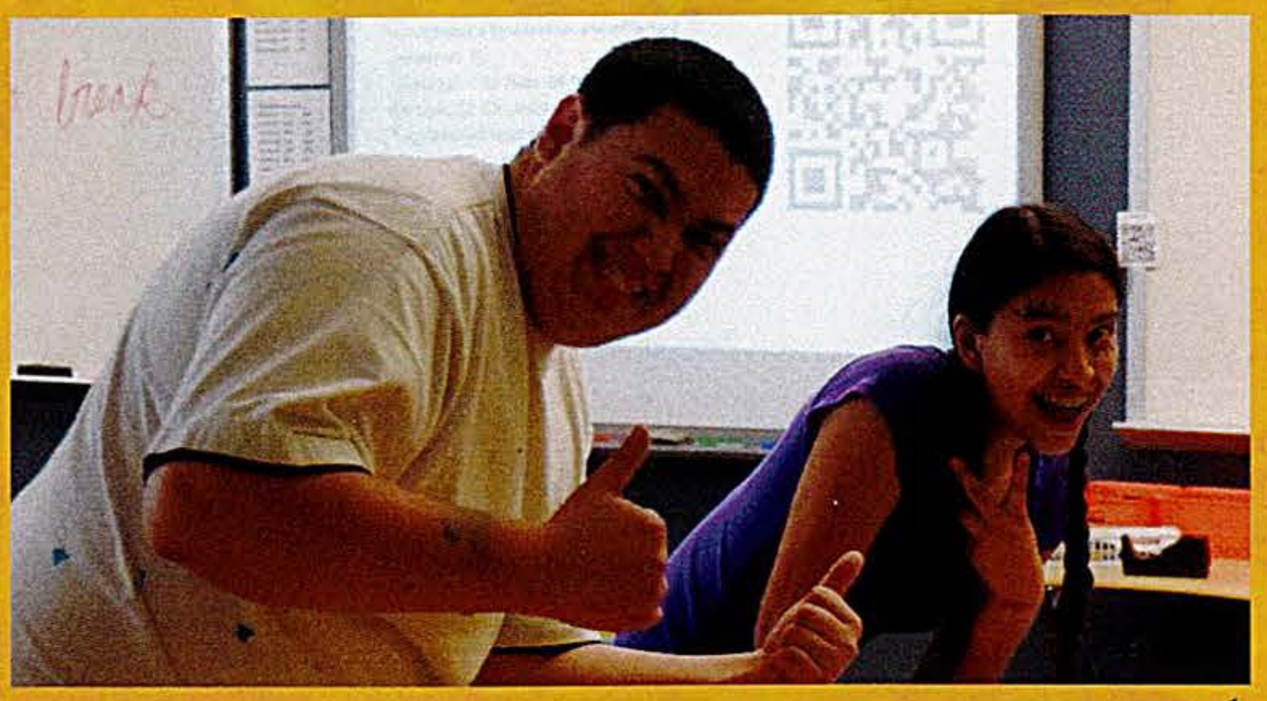
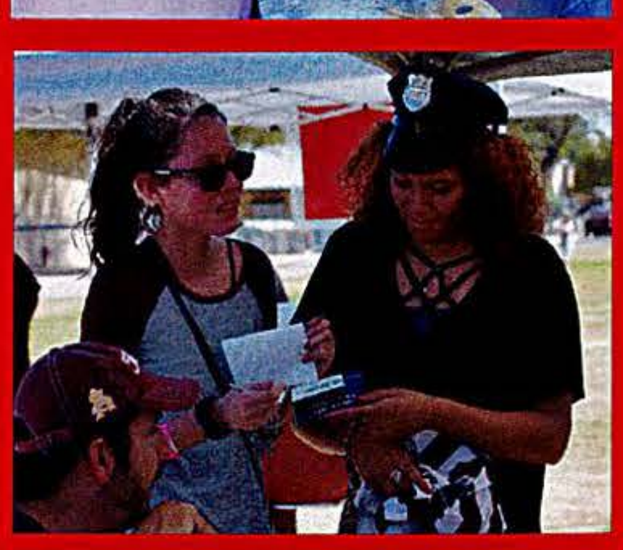


ARGHHH!!
IT'S A JOLLY GOOD TIME!

#PDSDSPRINGCARNIVAL

Spring Carnival



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Miss
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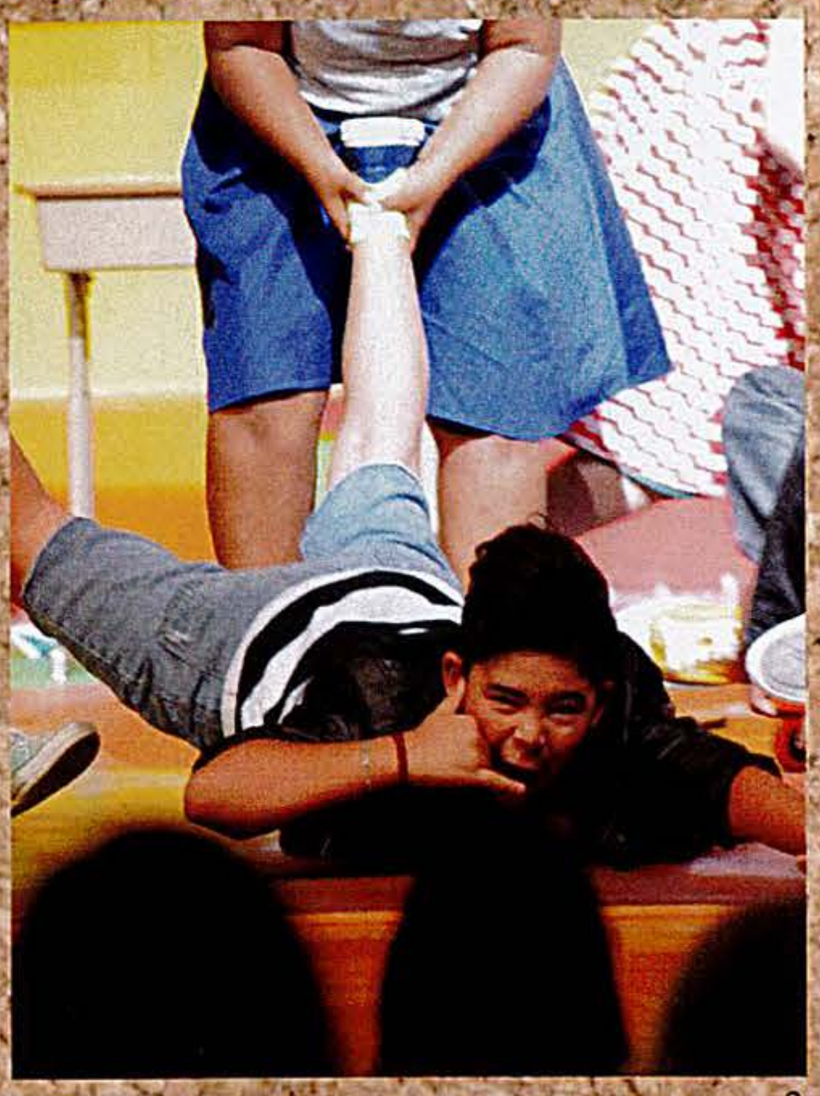


Middle School Math Club

RIT: National Technical Institute for the Deaf
Rochester, New York

Academic Bowl

Gallaudet University
Washington, DC

Health Occupations Students of America

Tucson, Arizona

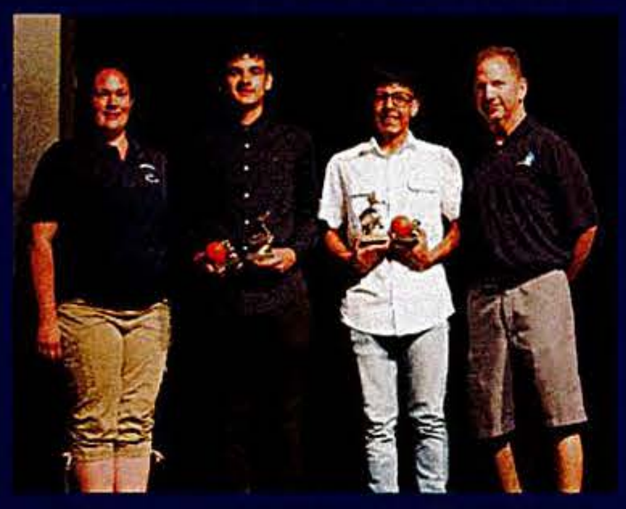
Battle of Books

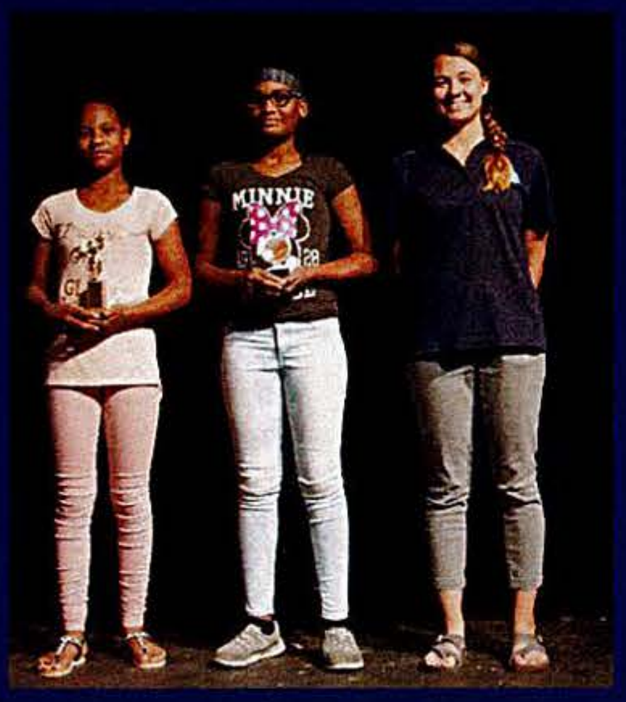
Gallaudet University
Washington, DC

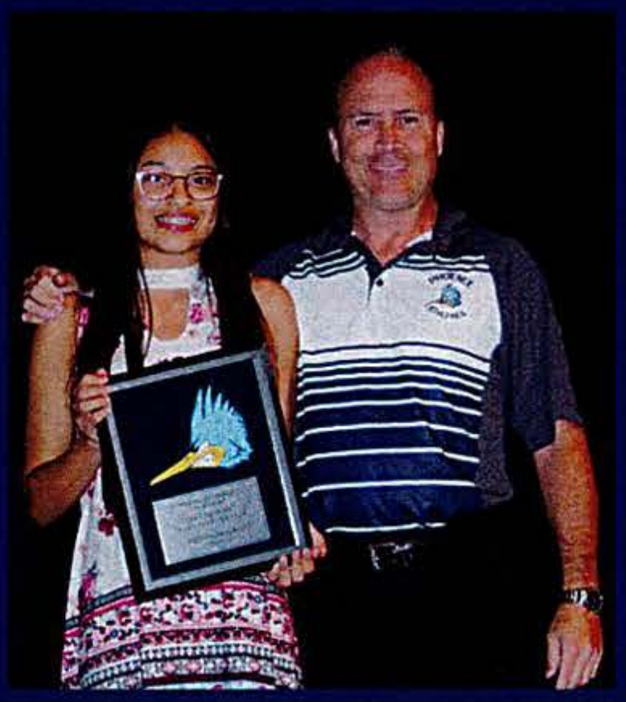
Sports Awards

Middle School

High School







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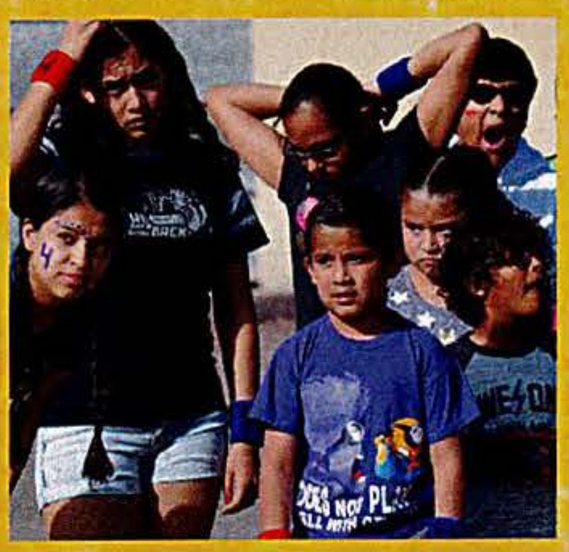

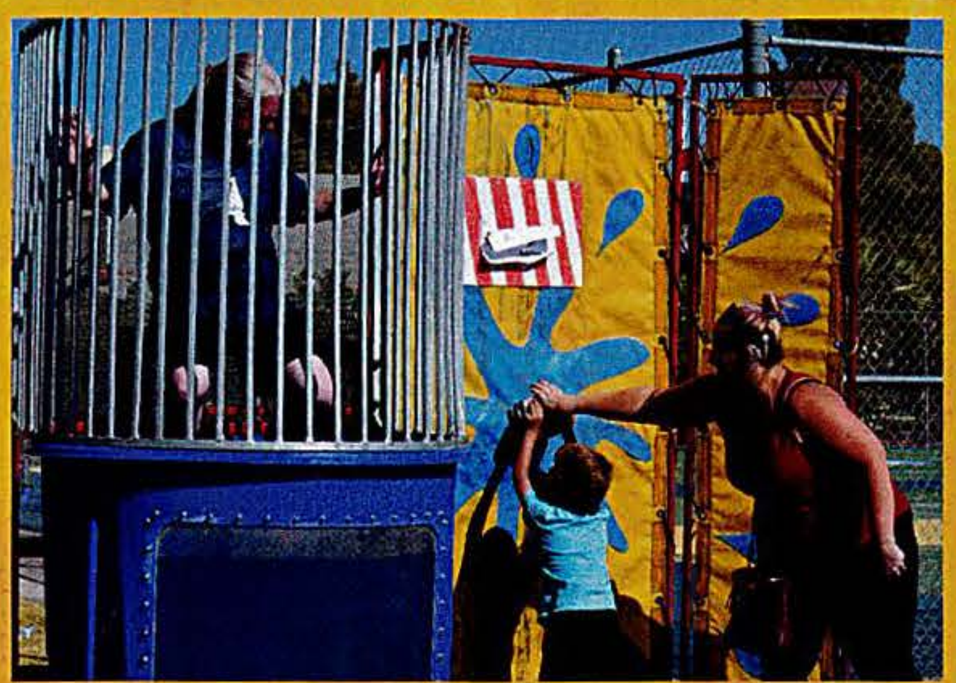

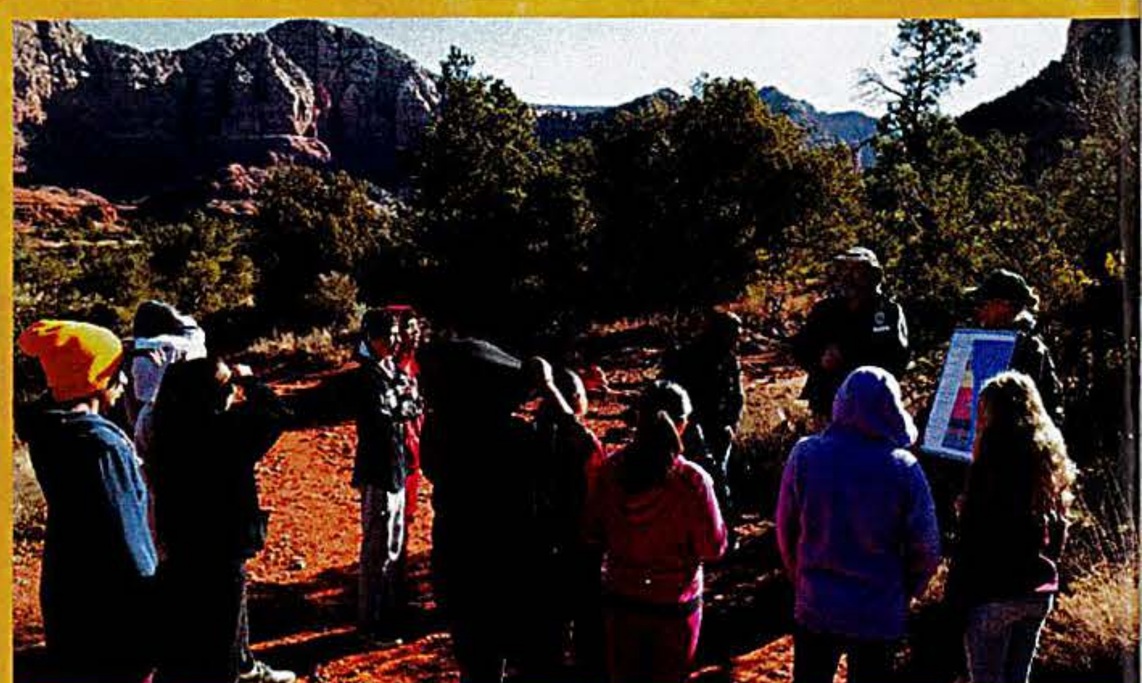

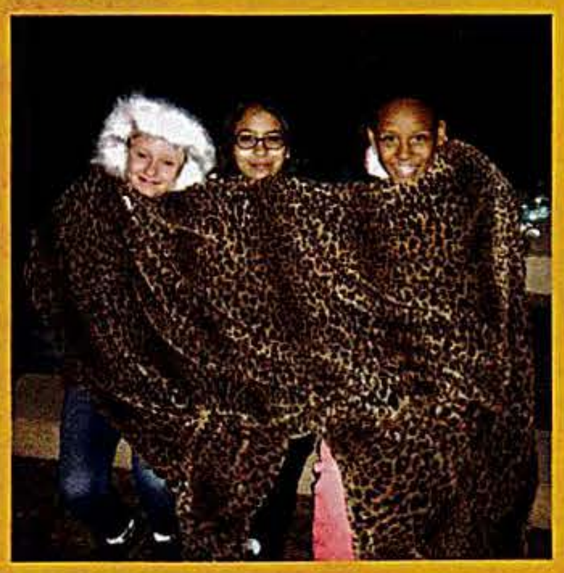

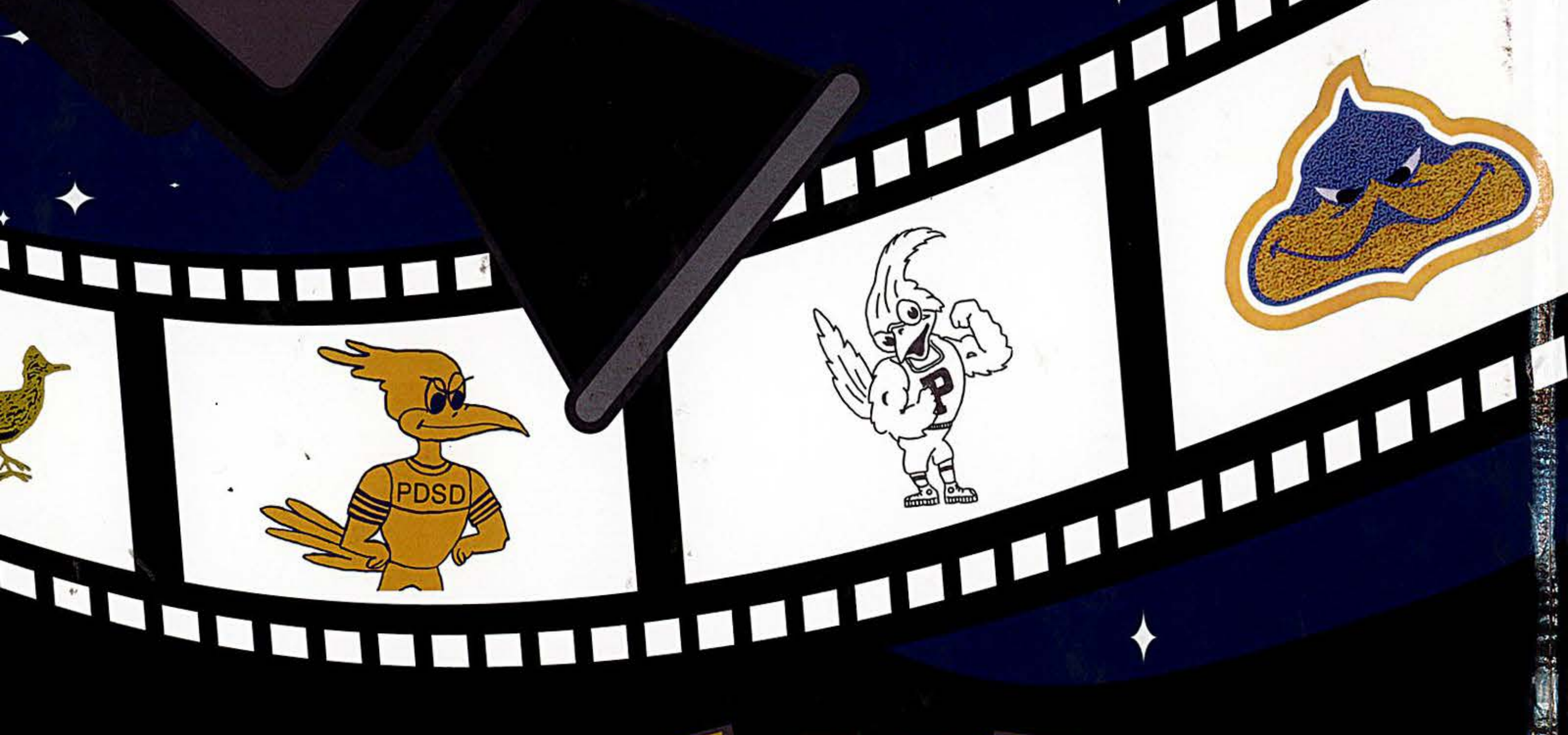

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